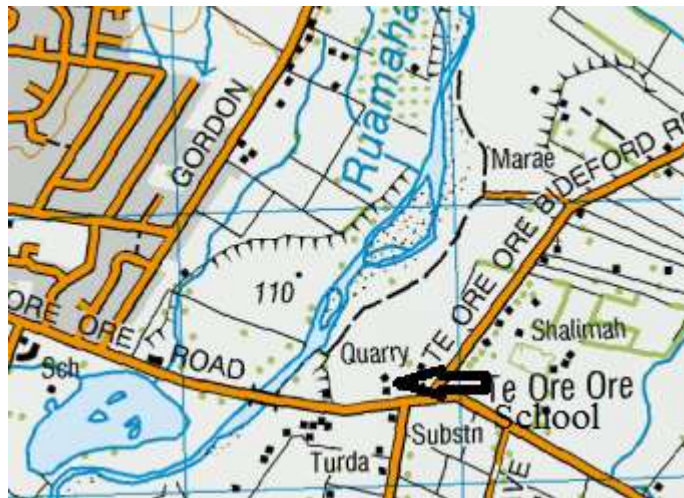


Te Ore Ore: 1897-1916 State School, 1917-1924 Side School of Lansdowne, 1925- 1972. On the Corner of Masterton Castlepoint Road and State Highway 52. School is still there as a residence. The concrete milk box still out front. Residence was shifted to South Featherston, a most welcome change for us from the cold old house we were living in.



PP indicates Papers Past Website. Though Paper Past items are not identified until 1925 as all copy till then comes from this source
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Buildings

1898 Original 480 square feet

1899 Another 480

Destroyed by Fire 15/7/1919

1921 1248 Brick Building

Residence 1954 1065 square feet

1982 Transferred to South Featherston

Part Section 34 Te Ore Ore

1 acre 2 rood 36 perches

1929 and 1940 some land transferred for road widening

Area 2 acres 3 rood

1896

27 May 1896 The sum of £40 was voted towards the cost of erecting an aided school at Birket. An application that a similar school should be established at Te Ore Ore was referred to the Masterton Committee. PP (*Birkett's School was at Blairlogie on the corner by the church, this eventually became the Whareama School*)

9th June Masterton School Committee meeting. A petition in favour of a school at Te Ore Ore was forwarded by the Secretary of the Education Board for the Committee's opinion. Mr Easthope moved that the petition being a reasonable one be recommended for favourable consideration PP

. 24 June 1896 Petitions for aided schools at Te Ore Ore and Te Nui, and a school near the railway station at Opaki, were left over till next meeting

25th November 1896 The Board decided that it could not appoint to the Te Ore Ore school a teacher who was not properly qualified

1897

31st March 1897 Mr J, Wickens, the Maori Meeting House, in aid of the Te Ore Ore School

An offer of an acre for a school site at Te Ore Ore was referred to the Chairman to deal with 24 Nov 1897

1898

23 February 1898 The Chairman was authorised to open tenders for schools at Wharau, Te Ore Ore, and Penton (*Mangapakeha*), to accept the lowest tender, and report at next meeting

7th March 1898 Tenders for the Erection of School Buildings at Mangapakeha, Te Ore Ore, and Wharau, near Gladstone, will be received at this office up to Wednesday, the 16th March. Plans and specifications at my office, Wellington, and at the Schools, Masterton and Carterton.

19th March 1898 The following tenders were received by the Wellington Education Board for the erection of new school buildings Te Ore Ore school: C. E. Daniell (accepted) £165; H. Trotman, £189; Coradine and Whittaker, £198 PP

19th March 1898 Mr C E Daniell's tenders for the erection of school houses at Wharau, Mangapakeha and Te Ore Ore have been accepted by the Education Board

28th March THE **TE ORE ORE** ACCIDENT.

CORONER'S INQUEST. An inquest on the body of the boy commonly known as Thomas **Seaman**, but whose proper name was Thomas Mills, who died at the Masterton Hospital on Saturday last at five o'clock in the afternoon, was held in the Hospital on Sunday afternoon before Mr 'Thos. Duncan, Acting Coroner, and the following jury J. Anderson (foreman), T. Wrigley, F. E. Dorset, H. J. Stinson, D. Jackson, and J. Le Compe. F. W. Graham gave evidence identifying the body as that of Thomas Seaman. Seaman was the boy's stepfather's name. He thought the boy's proper name was Mills. The body was that of 'Thos Seaman, that being his stepfather's name, the boy's proper name being Mills. He saw the deceased on a horse about eleven o'clock on Monday 21st inst., without saddle or bridle. Deceased informed him that he was going to find a cow. He saw no more of the boy after that.

H V Dyke gave evidence that he only knew the deceased as Tom. Believed his name was Mills. Was about fourteen years of age, and was in his (witness') employ. The horse the boy was riding was a perfectly quiet one.

P. Holloway, butcher, of Masterton, said he was going to Te Ore Ore when he saw the boy bringing a cow on the road. He came to the conclusion that the boy had been thrown from the horse while riding after the cow.

Dr. Geo. Home, Assistant Surgeon at the Hospital said the deceased was admitted to the Hospital on Monday, 21st March. He was unconscious at the time and remained in that condition till his death on Saturday last at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The deceased was suffering from concussion of the brain due to a blow on the head. A fall from a horse probably caused the blow. The blow was the cause

of death. Everything that could be done towards the recovery of the boy was done. The actual cause of death was concussion of the brain. The verdict of the jury was That Thomas Mills came by his death through being thrown from a horse on 21st March, 1898 at Te Ore Ore , which caused concussion of the brain. Death resulting on 21st March, 1898. No blame is attached to anyone.

29th March The lad Seaman, who died at the Masterton Hospital the other day, was buried this morning, Mr J. Guest and the Te Ore Ore school children being amongst the followers.

31st March 1898 Elections for School Committee called

14th May 1898 The new school at Te Ore Ore is to be opened on the 23rd

16th May 1898 The site of the Te Ore Ore school was originally vested in Messrs W. Iorns, F. Holloway and David Donald as Trustees, for a creamery site, and was made over by them to the Education Board.

23rd June 1898 The greater portion of the hooks stolen from the Te Ore Ore school, have been recovered by the police. They were secreted under a culvert. It is probable the circumstance will lead to a prosecution.

1st September 1898 Miss Kate Lucy Campbell appointed Pupil Teacher

4th October 1898 The illuminated address presented to Mr Chatwin, lately Head Teacher at Taueru last evening, was the work of Mr Jos. finest, of the Te Ore Ore School. It was excellently done and shows that Mr Guest possesses high artistic abilities, Both brush and pen work were executed with exceedingly good taste.

1899

4th January 1899 An interesting wedding ceremony took place this morning at the residence of Mr Robert Campbell, Opaki, when Mr Joseph J. Guest, the popular Master of the Te Ore Ore School, was married to Miss Lilian Rose Campbell, eldest daughter of Mr Robert Campbell, the Rev. Wyndham Earee officiating. The Misses Lottie and Grace Campbell, sisters of the bride, acted as bridesmaids, Mr Ernest M. C. Guest supporting the bridegroom as best man. A large number of guests sat down to breakfast at the bride's father's house, many good wishes for Mr and Mrs Guest's future prosperity being expressed. The presents were numerous and valuable Mr and Mrs Guest leave for Wanganui, where the honeymoon is to be spent. The bride wore a pretty dress of cream serge, trimmed with cream lace and ribbon, and her travelling dress was a coat and skirt costume, with pink silk vest, The bridesmaids were neatly attired in cream nun's veiling.

30th March 1899 With regard to residences required at **Te Oro Ore** and Ohau, the Chairman undertook to bring the matter up at next meeting

30th March 1899 The Te Oro Ore School, which is under the charge of Mr J. J. Guest, has just been examined by Inspector F .H Bakewell The following is the pass list.—

Standard I.—Harold Cooper, Earnest Elley, James Russell, Tore Ratima, Gillas Manihera, Martin Rock Eva Jaques, Arai Tamahau, May Power, Mary O'Toole, Raku August.

Standard 11.-Whitu Manaena, Albert August. Rangi Kingi, George Juno, Martin Carr, William Watson, James Collerton, Dinah Summers, Louisa Summers, Lilly Oliver, Evelyn Watson,

Standard III.-Willie Thompson, Emma Rimene.

Standard IV.-Herbert Percy, May Cooper, Mary Minogue.

Standard V.—John McKay, George Watson, Alfred Watson.

Standard VI Herbert Standen.

17th April 1899 Owing to the prevalence of measles, the Te Ore Ore School has been closed for a week.

25th April 1899 School Committee Messrs, P Carr (Chairman), J T Cooper, H Whakamairu, R Jacques, T Minoge, J Savage and R Thompson

17th May 1899 Country school authorities will learn with satisfaction that the Education Board has despatched its carpenter to make repairs, etc., at the following schools : — Featherston, Carterton, Matarawa, Te Ore Ore, Kaiwairua, Fernridge, Mauriceville, Eketahuna, Alfredton, Pahiatua, Mangatainoka, Hastwell, Hukanui, Hinemoa, Waihakeke,

1st June 1899 Committee yesterday afternoon, the Education Board accepted the tender of Mr. C. E. Daniel for the erection of a school, with rooms attached, at Bideford, and for an additional class-room at Te Ore Ore.

10th June additional class-rooms at Te Ore Ore, Masterton, C. E. Daniells, £159 10s (three tenders).

19th June 1899 The Te Ore Ore school winter vacation commenced to-day, owing to the prevalence of measles and to permit alterations to the building.

11th September 1899 Rangī, the well known Te Ore Ore native, died on Saturday

1900

9th February 1900 *Part of an article on a large Patriotic Fun procession in Masterton*

At the rear of this line. Drum-Major Strudwick's martial figure came next in view, directing the Masterton Municipal Brass Band, whose neat appearance in new uniforms was freely remarked. Mr J. J. Guest and the scholars of Te Ore Ore school took a place here, and the pretty native costumes of several little Maori maidens gave a novel touch to the scene. Carriages containing His Worship the Mayor (Mr C A. Pownall), Councillors C E. Daniell, E. Felst, W. Dougall, A. Mutrie, R K. Jackson, J. Yates, T. Wagg

20th April 1900 At the annual picnic of the Te Ore Ore School yesterday, the scholars, who were represented by Master C. Reside, presented a silver mug to the infant daughter of Mr J. J. Guest, the Head Teacher, at the same time wishing parents and child every happiness, Mr Guest thanked the children for the good wishes expressed, and their valuable present, which he assured them he should always remember. The day was spent very happily in games, races, etc., and at the end of the day, cheers were given for all those who had made the occasion such a success.

24th April 1900 The usual meeting for the election of members of the Te Ore Ore School Committee of the ensuing year was held last evening at the School house. There were a fair number of persons present including Maoris, but those who were proposed for membership declined, with the exception of two. As the required number was not obtained it was resolved to adjourn the meeting until Monday, 30th inst

24th April 1900 Te Ore Ore School Committee. — No election, those present declining to stand

21st May 1900 The Masterton School football team was defeated by the Opaki, Te Ore Ore and Taueru Schools combined, on Saturday, by twenty-three points to nil

26th June 1900 Te Ore Ore. — Messrs. W. D. Watson, J. T. Cooper, Puhara Te Tau, T. Minogue, Rori Thompson, P. Carr, and 'August

18th July 1900 Under the direction of Mr J. J. Guest, the pupils of the Te Ore Ore School, planted over n hundred trees in the school grounds. The children, parents and friends supplied the trees, nod great interest was taken in the proceedings, Mr Guest desires lo heartily thank the donors for their gifts and informs us that the trees given are fine healthy specimens. In honour of the occasion and to keep Arbor Day in remembrance, the children have been granted a half-holiday

For Information re JJ Guest see Brancepath School

1901

28th February 1901 Miss Kate Lucy Campbell, pupil teacher of Te Ore Ore School, obtained a partial E certificate, at the late teacher's examination. She was coached by Mr J. J. Guest, headmaster of the same school, and as she is quite a young teacher, her success is extremely meritorious

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21st March 1901 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL

The school was examined by Inspector Leo on Monday and Tuesday. The following are the results

Standard VI—William Goldcr, Fredrick Leeks, George Watson, May Cooper, Mary McHattie, Annie Minogue, Mary Minogue,

Standard V.—Henry McHattie, Wiri Thompson, Ella Dew.

Standard IV.—Edward Jaques, Rangi Kingi, Albert August, Leonard Jones, William Loader, William Watson, Janet McHattie, Edith Mainbew.

Standard III—Martin Carr, Harold Cooper, Ernest Elley, Horace Leeks, William McHattie, John Rock, Martin Rock, Raku August, Eva Jaques, Alice Jones, Mary OToole, Dinah Summers, Louisa Summers, Arai Tamahau, Eva Watson.

Standard II.—Alec Anaru, Frank Carr, Norman Cooper, Walter Elley, Alfred Goldcr, Charles Loader, Tore, Ratima, Minnie Leeks, Jessie Simmonds,

Standard I.—Jessie Dew, Wi Paraone, Moana Rimene, Cornelius Rock, Moko Russell, Kate O'Toole, Nellie Robertson.

The percentage of passes was ninety, which may bo considered very creditable to the teaching staff —and also to the pupils

22nd April 1901 FOOTBALL.

On Saturday the Masterton School football team met the Te Ore Ore school team on the former's ground, After an exciting and evenly-contested match Masterton won by nine points to six, For the winners Pragnell and Daniell scored tries, while Green kicked a goal; and Leeks scored two tries for the losers, Mr Thwaites satisfactorily held the wh1stle, The Masterton team will play the Carterton team next Saturday.

13th July 1901 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

Application to the Trust Lands Trust,

An application was received at last night's meeting of the Masterton Trust Land 6 for a grant towards the To Ore Ore School, It was pointed out that although the school building was outside the Trust's area, forty-three children from Lansdowne and Masterton attended the school.

The Chairman thought that the school was entitled to ass1stance as well as any other school in the Small Farm Settlement,

Mr Fe1st said the fact that so many children in the Small Farm Settlement area attended the school, strengthened their claim. He did not know, however, whether the school should be assisted on the same basis as the other public schools. Mr Fe1st moved that a grant of £5 be made.

Mr Renall moved that the Te Ore Ore school receive a grant for the 13 children on the same basis as other schools,

The Chairman said they would have the Opaki school applying next, as some children from Lansdowne attended that school.

Mr Wagg It will mean that we will have to fund all the schools in the District,

Mr Renall stated that in reference to the Fernridge school there were children attending it who did not reside in the area,

The Chairman: But the school itself is in the area. He thought they should act cautiously, He asked, would the standing orders apply equitably to all concerned

Mr Hessey did not think so. If the Te Ore Ore claim was recognised at all, it would have to be recognised on the same basis as other claims, Mr Fe1st thought they were justified in agreeing to the grant on account of the number of children attending the School, from this District. They could (make it a special case, Mr Hessey said he would willingly support the motion if there were no other schools in the District. There were two schools almost at their back doors, and yet the children were sent right out to Te Ore Ore,. Mr Mitchell mentioned that Lansdowne parents preferred their children going to Te Ore Ore, because in passing the town to the main school, there was so much vehicular traffic, Mr Fe1st withdrew his motion, and a resolution that the children residing in the Small Farm Settlement attending the Te Ore Ore School, receive the capitation head per annum was agreed to.

13th July 1901 It is officially notified that the Te Ore Ore School has re-opened. The Native children are not yet allowed to attend, though no further cases of scarlet fever have since occurred at the pah.

TE ORE ORE SCHOOL PARENTS are advised that the above School has reopened. The Native children are not yet allowed to attend, though the doctor advises that up to the present no further cases of scarlet fever have occurred at the pah. J. J. GUEST, Head Teacher

1902

2nd January M1stress Te Ore Ore £85 salary advertisement

3rd February 1902 The very handsome illuminated address, presented to Mr H Lee, by the "old boys" of the Masterton **school**, on Saturday was the work of Mr J. J. Guest, master of the Te Ore Ore school, who displayed considerable taste and artistic ability in its execution.

16th April 1902 **TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.**

The following are the Standard passes obtained at the examination on April 11th by Inspector T. E. Fleming, M.A.—

Standard VII Mary Minogue, May Cooper.

Standard VI.—Henry McHattie, Ella Dew.

Standard V. —Arthur Johansen, L. Jones, Geoffrey Robertson, George Sowman, William Watson, Janet McHattie.

Standard IV. —Harold Cooper, Henry Davies, Ernest Elley, Leonard Holloway, Horace Leeks, William McHattie, Alfred Miller, Arthur Miller, Eva Jaques, Alice Jones, Dinah Summers, Eva Watson.

Standard III.—Alec. Anaru, Norman Cooper, Tore Ratima, Minnie Leeks.

Standard II.—Jesse Dew, Wi Paraone, Moses Paratene , Moana Rimene, Nellie Robertson.

Standard I.—Cecil Blinkhorne, John Haeata, William Blinkhorne, James Juno, Harvey Leeks, Ernest Miller, William Summers, Georgina Juno.

29th April 1902 There was no election at Te Ore Ore yesterday for School Committee

23rd June 1902 Football (*Rugby*) Te Ore Ore and Masterton are now level for the School's' Championship, the former school having won one match and one by default, while Masterton has beaten Carterton and Greytown

21st November 1902 MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

MASTERTON-THURSDAY,

(Before Mr W. P. James, S.M.)

Two boys, James and Frederick Juno, eleven and nine years, respectively, were charged with the theft of three bottles of raspberry champagne on the 11th, and one bottle on the 14th, from the shop of Mr F. O. Fr1ston, and also a bottle of hop beer from Mr James Wickens' shop on the 10th. Philip Juno, father of the youthful offenders, was present.

Fred Juno admitted appropriating one bottle only.

Sergeant O'Malley stated that Mr Fr1ston had from time to time missed bottles of cordials from the stand in his shop, and on the 14th caught James Juno leaving the shop with a bottle concealed under his coat. Complaints had been made by other shop-keepers regarding the peculations made by these boys.

"How are these boys looked after?," enquired the S.M.

"I believe their mother-has cleared out, and the father, with the assistance of a young daughter, looks after them," replied the Sergeant.

What's that interjaculated Juno, senr. The boys go to the Te Ore Ore School every day, and at night I'm home." The S.M. remarked that it appeared to him that the boys were confirmed thieves. They did not simply take one bottle, but appeared to have had a regular system. In the absence of the proprietor of a shop, or when he was not in view, one of the boys threw the other's hat into the shop, the latter thereupon going for it, and at the same time lifting" something, but having an excuse for his presence in the shop if the owner perchance arrived on the scene. He thought it would be in the boys' interests to send them to an industrial school. The S.M. also enquired from the boys how they were treated at home, and he also examined their clothing. On their jackets being unfastened their shirts, ragged and filthy, were revealed, whereupon the Mag1strate said in an indignant tone: Just look at that; let the reporters see. I will send the boys to school."

They have a clean shirt on every week, the same as I do," interposed the father.

The S.M. Also remarked upon the difference in the clothing as worn by the father and by the boys, who, he said, were sadly neglected. Each was convicted and ordered to be sent to the Burnham Industrial School. "What are your wages, Juno?." That's my business," was the reply. Well, then, you'll have to pay the full amount, 8 shillings (\$67.60 equivalent in December 2014 terms)each per week, for the support of your boys." An order was made accordingly, and the boys were removed.

7th December 1902 MAGIC LANTERN ENTERTAINMENT, interspersed with Songs, Poi Dances, Etc., will be given at the To Ore School on FRIDAY, the 19th inst., at 8 p.m., in aid of the School Picnic and Prize Fund. Admission—1 shilling, children 6 pence

20th December 1902 An enjoyable entertainment was given at Te Ore Ore School, last evening, consisting of a magic lantern, cleverly manipulated by Mr Bailtrop, songs, poi dances, and a war dance by some of the Maori boys of the **school**. During the evening the Secretary of the Committee presented to Mr Guest, the teacher, on behalf of the boys, a silver-mounted pipe. Mr Guest feelingly thanked his pupils for this unexpected proof of their friendship. The School Prize and Picnic Fund should benefit somewhat from the concert, though the wet weather was against a large attendance. Messrs Bailtrop and Evernden were the singers.

1903

24th January 1903 Te Ore Ore School

Annual Picnic,

Donations from everywhere, and willing assistance from the Committee and residents, combined to make the above picnic a most enjoyable one. The children were treated to races, games, refreshments, etc., during the whole of a very pleasant day. The prizes given were really worth winning. Mrs Kohai won a fine cake presented by Mr Wickens.

Mr Buchanan, M.H.R., kindly attended and presented the prizes won by the scholars during the last year. In a short speech he complimented them and their Committee and teachers for the interest displayed in educational matters. He then presented Miss Campbell, assistant teacher, with a silver mounted purse, subscribed for by the girl pupils of the school.

Prize List.-

Attendance prizes.—Full attendance- Clarence Evernden, Standard III.; Tore Ratima, Standard IV.; Eva Evernden, Standard I. Missed

one half day—Alice Jones, Standard V.; Henry McHattie, Standard VII.

Missed two half days—Wi Paraone, Standard III.; Moses Paratene, Standard III., Willie McHattie, Standard V.

Merit Prizes.—Standard VII—Henry McHattie. Standard VI.—Janet McHattie 1, Arthur Johansen 2. Standard V. Alice Jones 1, Horace Leeks 2, Willie McHattie 3, Evelyn Watson 4. Standard IV.—Tore Ratima 1, Norman Cooper 2. Standard III.—Moses Paratene 1, Clarence Evernden 2, Jesse Dew 3, Jessie Simmons 4. Standard II.—John Haeata 1, Simeon Tuki 2, Joan Leeks 3. Standard I. —Meri Manaera 1, Ella Anaru 2, Pakira Haeata 3, Eva Evernden 4. Second Primer—Martha Karaitiana, Niki Pani 2, Nari August 3, Komiana Karaitiana 4. First Primer—Esme Bennett 1, Record Te Tau 2, Willie Bennett 3, Tipi Rimene 4.

Special prizes.—Miss Campbell's two for general progress, Simeon Tuki and Percy Wimsett. Mr Redward's (Napier), two for attendance and conduct Susie Anaru and Ivan Leeks. Mr Guest's (head, teacher) prize for general excellence, open to the whole school, was won by Henry McHattie, standard VII.

The picnic concluded with an excellent magic lantern display, managed by Mr Barltrop, one of the committee.

28th April 1903 Te Ore Ore . The report of the retiring Committee stated Expenditure during the year, £47 9s 2d, as against receipts from various sources, £47 19s 5d, leaving a balance to credit of 10s 3d. The expenditure included many great improvements to the school. The Committee wished to acknowledge the work done by both the head teacher, Mr J. J. Guest, and his assistant, Miss Campbell. Moneys now due from the Board and other places would give the new Committee £13 odd to begin with, which could be considered at the least satisfactory. They also wished to express their thanks for the grants received from the Trust Lands Trust. During the year nine regular and three special meetings were held and carried through harmoniously. The following are the new Committee —

Chairman, Mr G. McHattie (re-elected) Secretary and Treasurer, Mr G. O. Evernden (re-elected) with Messrs O. J. Percy, Alexander Turner, Puhara Te Tau, J. T. Cooper and W. Barltrop.

30th April 1903 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

Annual Examination

The results of above are as follows, Mr Bakewell being the Inspector. The percentage of passes was 90.

Standard VII. Henry McHattie, James MacLauchlan, Ella Dew.

Standard VI. —Arthur Johanson, William Loader, William Watson, Janet McHattie,

Standard V,—Edward Jaques, Harold Cooper, Leonard Holloway, Horace Leeks, William McHattie, Alfred Miller, Charles Munn, Eva Jaques, Alice Jones, Dinah Summers, Eva Watson.

Standard IV.—Alex. Anaru, Frank Boden, Norman Cooper, George Juno, Tore Ratima, Raku August, Minnie Leeks.

Standard III.—Philip Bennett, Frank Carr, Jessie Dew, Clarence Evernden Alfred Golder, Harvey Leeks, Wi Paraone, Moses Paratene, Jessie Simmons, Bessie Turner.

Standard II.—Cecil Blinkhorne, William Blinkhorne, Albert Daysh, Rhody Daysh, John Haeata, Ivan Leeks, Ernest Miller, William Summers, Simeon Tuke, Georgina Juno,

Standard I.—Arthur Golder, Herbert Loader, James Loader, Leo Miller, Albert Summers, Charles Summers, Herbert Wimsett, Ella Anaru, Susie Anaru, Helen Bennett, Eva Evernden, Hinerangi, Haeata, Meri Manaena.

16th May 1903 Trust Lands Trust The Te Ore Ore School Committee have received the sum of .£10 10s for children residing at Lansdowne and within the Small Farm Block area, attending the school.

26th August 1903 Several cases of scarlet fever and measles have occurred amongst the children of the Te Ore Ore State School. It was thought that the school should be closed, but Mr Dolby, District sanitary inspector, has advised that it be kept open till the end of the

week unless further cases occur. Dr. Valentine has approved of this advice. Yesterday Mr Dolby thoroughly disinfected the interior of the school buildings.

29th August 1903 An effort is being made to constitute the Te Ore Ore school District as a separate District. At the present time the District is joined with Masterton, and the Te Ore Ore School Committee has no power to vote in connection with the Wellington Education Board, and it is this vote that the Committee wants to get. The boundary has to be defined and this will be arranged by consultation with the Masterton School Committee at its next meeting

2nd September 1903 In connection with the outbreak of measles and scarlet fever amongst children attending the Te Ore Ore State school, Councillor McEwen mentioned at the Borough Council meeting, last evening, that about a third of the pupils go to the Te Ore Ore school from Masterton. He thought that something should be done in the matter. Mr Dolby, sanitary inspector, explained that any report on the matter would go to the County Council, as that was the local body concerned. However, he stated he would look into the matter of children going to the school from Masterton.

5th September 1903 An assistant teacher at the Te Ore Ore School, has been admitted to the fever hospital in Hope-street. (*Kate L Campbell only assistant listed*)

11th September 1903 At present the Te Ore Ore School District is not deemed, and the Committee has no power to vote in connection with the Wellington Education Board. An application was considered at the Masterton School Committee, last evening, from the Te Ore Ore School Committee, to have the boundary between the two Districts

defined. It is desired to include in the Te Ore Ore District the territory from the second Waipoua River, taking in Lansdowne. Mr R. Rigg thought that the householders should consider the matter. It was not known whether or not Lansdowne householders would agree to being included in the Te Ore Ore District, and thus be thrown out of the Masterton School District. Finally it was decided to request Mr McHattie, Chairman of the To Ore Ore Committee, to obtain the opinion of the householders in the District he wishes to secure, on the subject, and Messrs Brown, Kent-Johnston, Murray and Rigg, were appointed a sub-committee in reference to the matter.

25th September 1903 The Education Board has appointed Mr Gould to the Pongaroa School, Mr Jennings to Te Whiti School, also to constitute Te Ore Ore a separate District. A request from the Masterton School Committee for a grant towards the cost of erecting swimming baths was held over, owing to the Board's unfortunate financial position

31st October 1903 After school hours, yesterday, the girl scholars of the Te Ore Ore School presented Miss Ensor, who has been relieving teacher during the absence of Miss Campbell, with a gold tie-pin as a small token of their appreciation of her kindness to them during her brief stay. Miss Ensor, who was taken by surprise, thanked the girls heartily and hoped it was not the last she would see of them. If it was, she would never forget them, at any rate. After partaking of afternoon tea, dispensed by Mrs Evernden, the party dispersed. The head teacher, Mr Guest, made the presentation on behalf of the girls. Miss Campbell resumes her duties on Monday.,

1904

2nd January 1904 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL, ENTERTAINMENT, A Limelight Exhibition will be given in the Te Ore Ore Schoolroom on TUESDAY, January 5th, at 7.30, in aid of the School Picnic Funds. Admission, adults 1s; children 6d (*1 shilling, 6 pence, there were 12 pence in one shilling*)

25th January 1904 On Friday last the annual picnic of the Te Ore Ore school was held in the school grounds Owing to the unsettled state of the weather. A willing band of workers was there early in the morning, and their efforts resulted in a most enjoyable day for everyone. During the afternoon the prizes won by the children, for the year's lessons, were distributed by Mr Turner in the absence of the chairman of committee. Many and valuable prizes were given to the various winners of races, etc. The committee and teachers desire to thank all those who assisted by subscriptions and otherwise to make the affair such a success.

1st February A pleasant evening's entertainment was given to the Te Ore Ore school children and parents last Friday evening (writes a correspondent), when Mr Barltrop gave a limelight exhibition with some very interesting pictures on the sheet, with Mr Evernden as lecturer. Songs were also given by Messrs Evernden and Barltrop, also songs by some Maori boys, and a recitation by Master Evernden. All were sent home with smiling faces.

6th May 1904 A lad named Leo Miller was knocked down in Queen-street, this morning, by Mr W. Morris' butcher's cart, and badly shaken, but escaped without any broken bones. It appears that three brothers (sons of Mr T. Miller, of the Club Stables) were walking along Queen-street on their way to the Te Ore Ore School, and when

opposite the right-of-way leading to the rear of C. E. Daniell's premises, Mr Morris drove out, and Leo, who was unable to get out of the way, was knocked down and trampled on by the horse. The right-of-way, which is private property, is commonly used by drivers of vehicles as a short-cut from Chapel Street to Queen Street.

10th May 1904 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

The following is a list of those passed by Inspector Fleming, on Friday last:

Standard 7.—Arthur Johanson, Janet McHattie.

Standard 6. —Harold Cooper, Thomas Harris, Alfred Miller, Alice Jones.

Standard 5.—Norman Cooper, George Juno, Baku August, Minnie Leeks, Myrtle McLauchlan.

Standard 4.—Clarence Evernden, Wi Paraone, Harvey Leeks, Moses Paratene, Jessie Simmons, Bessie Turner.

Standard 3.—Albert Daysh, Rhody Daysh, John Haeta, Sydney Harris, Ivan Leeks, Ernest Miller, Clifford Remington, Moana Rimene, William Summers, Simeon Tuki, Eva Evernden, Herbert Wimsett, Meri Manaena.

Standard 2.—Kahu Manaena, Leo Miller, Albert Summers. Charles Summers, Ellen Anaru, Susie Anaru.

Standard 1.—Percy Cooper, Pakira Haeta, Komihana Karaitiana, Niki Pani, Percy Wimsett, Tapatu August, Martha Karaitiana, Nani Monday.

17th May 1904 They would notice by the balances sheet that the Te Ore Ore School had received a grant of £13 5s This amount was given on the consideration that a number of Masterton children attended the school. Trust Lands Trust Meeting

10th October 1904 The ladies of Te Ore Ore gave a social on Friday last, at the School, for the purpose of raising funds to supply the School Cadets with uniforms. The result exceeded expectations, as

the attendance was very large. A concert was given as the first part, in which the following gave items: —Misses McGregor, Chamberlain, Buttrick, Elkins, A. Miller, Holloway (2), Mrs F. P. Welch, Messrs W. Iggulden, Stebbing, and Taylor. Encores were frequent and hearty. Dancing was then indulged in and kept up till a late hour. As a result of the social the boys will be as well-equipped as any school cadet corps in the District. The Dresden Piano Company kindly supplied the piano.

28th October Mr. J. J. Guest, Te Ore Ore, matriculation examination Leave of absence granted

18th November 1904 At Te Ore Ore School, yesterday afternoon, a pleasing ceremony was held, in the shape of an afternoon tea to those ladies who had assisted so generously in providing uniforms for the Cadet Corps. After the tea the boys were put through their paces, and performed very well indeed. Three cheers were then given for the ladies by the boys, headed by captain and teacher, Mr J. J. Guest. The weather was quite propitious, and that conducted in no small way to the success of the gathering.

19th November A parade of the Wairarapa School Cadets was held on the Show Grounds, to-day, under Major Parkinson and Captain Burns. The parade was taken part in by companies from Masterton, Carterton, Greytown, Featherston, Te Ore Ore and Fernridge, making a total of 256. The Corps were put through battalion movements, but not much good work could be accomplished, owing to the adverse weather conditions

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24th January TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

At the Te Ore school picnic, which was held yesterday, there was a numerous gathering of young people, with their parents, guardians, and friends. Sports were held in the paddock attached to the school site, and the Committee provided a liberal programme. Mr Guest, the headmaster, took an active part, assisted by Mr G. O. Evernden, in seeing that everyone enjoyed themselves. The athletic events, which included flat races, jumping, vaulting, and feats of strength, were particularly interesting because of the competition of the Maori juveniles, who were largely in evidence, with the European children. A strong ladies' committee provided an abundance of tea and other refreshments.

At the request of the Committee, Mr A. W. Hogg, M.H.R. (*Member of parliament*), distributed the prizes awarded to the pupils. Before doing so, he expressed his pleasure to find the school so prosperous, and witness the friendly rivalry, physically and intellectual, that was going on between the two races. He remembered the origin of the Te Ore Ore School a good many years ago, when it was a small Native School under Mr Sillars. Of late years it had grown, and he hoped it would continue to grow. The prizes having been distributed, cheers were given for the teachers Mr Guest and Miss Campbell and for Mr Hogg. The following is a list of the prize-winners:-

Attendance. Full Clarence Evernden, Eva Evernden, Meri Manaena, Pani August, Tapatu August, Marion Summers. One half-day missed Mani Monday. Two half days missed: Harry Summers, Hawea Rimene.

Lessons. Standards VI and VII.- N. Cooper, 1, T. Harris, 2; H. Cooper, 3.

Standard V.: C. Evernden, 1; Bessie Turner, 2 Jessie Simmons, 3.

Standard IV.: Simeon Tuki, I; Ivan Leeks, 2; Meri Manaena, 3; Eva Evernden, 4.

Standard III: Ella Anaru, 1; Susie Anaru, 2.

Standard II.: Mina Monday, 1; Tapatu August, 2; Pani August, 3 Martha Karaitiana, 4.

Standard I. Mary Summers, 1; Hawea Rimene 2, Alva Barltrop ,3. Leo Barltrop 4.

Infants -Part 2 (upper): Marion Summers 1, Tai Manaena 2.

Part 2 (lower): Tihei Pirika 1, Alice Chesterman 2, Jessie Cooper 3, Sidney Cooper 4.

Part 1 (upper): Thomas Green I, Te Apiti Reiri 2.

Part 1 (lower): Doris Remington 1, Frank Jaques 2, Eric Chesterman Jane Taylor 4, Mare Paraone, George Taylor 5.

Cadet Prizes, for excellence in drill (judge, Lieut. Puhara Tc Tau). Pakira Haeata 1, John Haeata 2, Harvey Leeks 3.

26th April TE ORE ORE. Messrs A. Percy (Chairman), W. Barltrop (Secretary), O. Percy, H. Heyward A. McLachlan. E. Peters, and J. Elley, School Committee

23rd June 1905 The Truant Officer (Mr W. M. Easthope) paid an official visit to the Te Ore Ore School yesterday. He found the attendance to be highly satisfactory. The Master, Mr J. J. Guest, informed Mr Easthope that the average attendance for two or three weeks past has been 55., on one occasion the total number of pupils on the roll (57) were present all day, and this notwithstanding the very wet weather.

26th June 1905 A new belfry has been erected at the Te Ore Ore School, which, adds very considerably to the appearance of the structure.

3rd July 1905 Masterton v. Te Ore Ore.

The Te Ore Ore School boys defeated those of the Masterton High School, on Saturday on the-Park Oval by 10 points to 1. Simeon Tuki kicked a goal from a mark, and Hoani Haeata and Manga Renata obtained tries for Te Ore Ore. A potted goal was the losers' score. Mr. Thwaites, of Masterton School, was referee.

2nd September Declined: Te Ore Ore, painting of school (to be done when its turn comes). Wellington Education Board

Repairs to be executed according to the estimate of the clerk of works
Te Ore Ore, new door, spouting, and desk repairs

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January Te Ore Ore

PICNIC AND SPORTS. The Te Ore Ore School Picnic and Sports were held in the School ground on Monday, when the parents, friends, and children gathered together, and had a real good time. Great credit must be given to the School Committee for the successful way in which they carried out the programme. Too much praise cannot be given to the Ladies' Committee, which consisted of Mesdames Cooper, Daysh, Elley, Barltrop, McLauchlan, Peters, Percy and Knight, and Misses McLauchlan, Heyward, Cooper, and McGregor, for the energetic manner in which they worked. The prizes were given out by Mr Spencer, who spoke a few kind words of encouragement to the unsuccessful pupils. Following is the prize list:—

Attendance (possible, 420) —Ella Aram, Susie Aranu. Hawea Rimene, Harry Summers, Marian Summers each 420; Rhody Daysh, 419; Niki Pari, 418; Fred Carr, 387, (special prize).

Proficiency.—Standards 6 and 7: Clifford Simmons 1, Norman Cooper 2 Harvey Leek 3.

Standard 5: Wi Paraone 1, John Haeata 2.

Standard 4: Ella Anaru Haeata Komihana Karaitiana 2, Celia Minogue and Nellie Bennett special prizes.

Standard 2: Hawea Rimene 1, Harry Summers 2.

Standard 1:- Marian Summers 1. Jessie Cooper 2.

Third Primer: Tihei Pirika 1. Marimari Manihera 2, J Governor 3.

Second Primer: Frank Jaques 1. Te Apiti 2, Fannie Guest 3, Jacky August 4, Eti Manaena 5.

First Primer: Fred Carr 1. Mare Paraone 2, Carrie Barltrop 3, Hector Barltrop 4.

The races were carried out by the School Committee, who were fortunate in having the services of Mr James Knight as handicapper.

The winners, of the various events-were as follow:—

Small Girls' Race: Mary Nine 1, Hilda Murphy 2, Jessie Cooper 3.

Small Boys' Race: Joe Governor 1, Sydney Cooper 2. Fred Carr 3.

Running High Jump: J. Haeata 1, Wi Brown 2.

Big Boys' Race : W. Bennett, -Hawea Rimene 2, Phil Bennett 3.

Three-legged Race: Rhody Daysh and Ivan Leeks 1, Bert Daysh and Reg Knight 2.

Big Girls' Race: Dolly Bennett 1, V. Cross 2, A. O'Leary 3.

Boys' Hurdle Race: T. Harris 1, P. Haeata 2, A. Wheeler 3.

Young Ladies' Hurdle Race: Miss O'Leary 1, Miss Jaques 2, Miss Cooper 3.

Married Woman's Race: Mrs Emberv 1, Mrs Peters 2.

Wrestling: Wi Brown 1, S. Harris 2, K. Brown 3.

Sack Race: W. McHattie 1, H. Leeks 2.

Piggyback Race: C Simmons and A. Wheeler 1, R. Daysh and I. Leeks 2.

Nail-driving Competition, for Messrs Hooper and Co.'s prize: Mrs Barltrop 1, Miss J. Harris 2.

Boys' Race for pair shoes given by Mr Foster, Wellington: Hector Barltrop 1.

Girls' Race, for shoes given by Messrs Hannah and Co Nellie Bennett 1.

Boys' Race, for whip given by Messrs Townsend and Cowper: Cliff Simmonds 1.

Bun-eating Competition: Wi Brown 1, C. Simmonds 2. This event caused considerable amusement.

27th January The name of Miss Eva Jaques was inadvertently omitted from the list of those who lent valuable assistance in connection with the recent Te Ore Ore School picnic.

26th February Mr J. J. Guest, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore School has been successful in passing Class "C" at the examination of teachers for the Masterton District, held in Wellington.

26th February 1906 The residents of Lansdowne intend making an appeal to the Wellington Education Board for the erection of a school within that District, and at present a petition is in circulation for signatures. It is urged that there are approximately one hundred children of, or near, school age, and that with either the school at Masterton or at Te Ore Ore, the distance is fairly long, and the roads and bridges crossed are much used for stock traffic and therefore dangerous. A suggestion is made that the Te Ore Ore school, in a District where settlement is not progressing and with the school attendance consequently on the decrease, should be transferred to a central position at Lansdowne. The matter is being taken up heartily by Lansdowne residents.

5th March SCHOOL CADET MEETING

The annual shooting competition of the Wairarapa Battalion of the Public School Cadets, took place, at Papawai, last Saturday, under favourable weather conditions. Captain Burns, Adjutant of the Battalion, was in command, and representatives were present from Masterton, Greytown, Carterton, Te Ore Ore, Eketahuna, and Featherston, making a total of about 70 cadets. Some good scores were made

9th March 1906 The friends of Mr and Mrs J. J. Guest will be pleased to learn that Mr Guest has received well-deserved promotion, having been appointed to take charge of the school at Te One, on Chatham Island. Mr Guest will leave for his new sphere of duties about the middle of next month. When Mr Guest first took charge of the Te Ore Ore School, nine years ago, the average attendance was about 19, but it is now over 50, and at one time rose as high as 100. The Chatham Island School is not managed by any Education Board, but is directly under the control of the Minister for Education. Chatham Island is

about 400 miles east from Port Lyttelton and is almost in the direct track of vessels bound for Home, via Cape Horn,

13th March Te Ore Ore Head Teacher, £180 and £30 h.a (*Housing allowance, means there was no school residence*)

23rd March THE TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

ANNUAL The annual examination, of the above school was held, by Inspector Fleming. The following were the passes:—

Standard 7—Norman Cooper, proficiency certificate.

Standard 6 Philip Bennett, proficiency certificate; Clifford Rive, competency certificate; Clifford Simmons, proficiency certificate.

Standard 5 Albert Daysh, Rhody Daysh, Ivan Leeks, John McCalmont, Wi Paraone, Meri Manaena.

Standard 4 Kahu Manaena, Ella Anaru, Susie Anaru, Nellie Bennett, Hinerangi Haeata.

Standard 3—Percy Cooper; Pakira Haeata, Miki Pani, Martha Karaitiana, Celia Minogue.

Standard 2—Haweia Rimene, Alva Barltrop, Leo Barltrop, Willie Bennett, Daisy Haeata.

Standard 1—Sydney Cooper, Jack Elliott, Poehipi, Haeata, Tipi John, Jessie Cooper, Netta Bennett, Lizzie Haka.

23rd March MASTERTON HOSPITAL.

The Treasurer of the Masterton Hospital acknowledges, with thanks, the receipt of the following additional subscriptions, in aid of the Building Fund —Alfred Matthews, of Wairongamai; Te Ore Ore school children, per Mr J. J. Guest, 7s Gd.

7th April 1906 Yesterday afternoon the friends and parents of the children attending the Te Ore Ore school bade farewell to Mr and Mrs Guest, who are leaving shortly for the Chatham Islands. Mr A. Percy, Chairman of the School Committee, presented Mr Guest with a handsome oak polished silver mounted tray, on behalf of the friends and parents, and also gifts from the Maoris of two handsome mats and three very pretty little baskets. Master Cliff Simmonds presented

Mr Guest with a silver inkstand, on behalf of the children attending the school. Mr Guest thanked the various donors for the presents that had been given him that afternoon, and said he would look back in years to come to the pleasant times he had at Te Ore Ore. Mr Barltrop, Secretary of the Committee, referred to Mr Guest's ability as a teacher during his nine years service at Te Ore Ore. After tea, prepared by the ladies, had been partaken of, three hearty cheers by the children were given for Mr Guest, who, with Mrs Guest, will take with them the best wishes of the Te Ore Ore community

9th April

PRESENTATION TO MR GUEST. On Friday afternoon the friends and parents of the children attending the Te Ore Ore School, gathered together to bid farewell to Mr and Mrs Guest, who are leaving shortly for the Chatham Islands, where Mr Guest has received an appointment as Headmaster. In a very appropriate speech, Mr A. Percy, Chairman of the School Committee, presented Mr Guest with a very handsome oak polished silver-mounted tray, on behalf of the friends and parents, and, also, from the Maoris two handsome mats, and three very pretty little baskets. Master Cliff Simmonds, in a neat little speech, presented Mr Guest with a pretty silver inkstand, on behalf of the children, attending the school, Mr Guest thanked the friends and parents and children for the valuable presents that had been given him that afternoon. He would always look back in years to come to the sociable times he had had at Te Ore Ore. Mr Barltrop, the Secretary of the Committee, in a few well-chosen remarks, referred to the ability of Mr Guest as a teacher during his nine years' service at the Te Ore Ore School. An adjournment was made to another room, where tea, prepared by the ladies, was partaken of. Three hearty cheers were given by the children for Mr Guest, and the pleasant function broke up with best wishes for the welfare of Mr and Mrs Guest in their future home.

12th April Head Teacher of Te Ore Ore School Mr G Jones of Kaitawa School appointment

11th May 1906 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

Suggested Removal to Lansdowne

Sub Committee Appointed to Make Enquiries.

The advisableness of removing the Te Ore Ore School from its present site was discussed at the meeting of the Masterton School Committee, last evening, when a letter was received from the Education Board asking the Committee's opinion on an application received from a number of residents at Lansdowne for the erection of the school in that District.

The Chairman stated the erection of a school at Lansdowne would mean the closing of the Te Ore Ore School, and would also have an effect on the attendance at, the Masterton District High School. He understood the application was being made by parents on the ground that the distance to the Te Ore Ore School was too far and along a road used a great deal for stock.

It was reported by the Secretary that the closing of the Te Ore Ore school would be inconvenient to a number of school children at that end.

As no information accompanied the communication, and the Committee was somewhat in the dark in the matter, a Committee comprising the Chairman and Messrs J. Carpenter, W. A. Fendall and Thos. Duncan was appointed to enquire and formulate a reply.

29th June 1906 SCHOOL FOR LANSDOWNE.

Proposal Objected to by Masterton School Committee

Lansdowne residents have been agitating for some time past for the erection of a schoolhouse in a convenient locality in that District, contending that both Masterton and Te Ore Ore schools are too remote for young children to daily attend them, and further that both routes are largely used for driving stock along, and as bridges have to

be crossed there was reasonable cause for apprehension as to the children's safety. In making application to the Wellington Education Board for a school at Lansdowne the residents suggested the removal of the Te Ore Ore school to a site closer to Lansdowne so that the requirements of both Districts would receive due consideration. The matter was referred to the Masterton Committee for an opinion and at last night's meeting it was discussed in Committee. Having considered the various aspects of the question, a resolution was carried, on the motion of the Chairman (Mr R. Brown), seconded by Mr Thos. Duncan, " That in the opinion of this Committee the proposed new school at Lansdowne would prejudicially affect both the Masterton and Te Ore Ore schools, and is not required."

2nd July 1906 The promoters of the Lansdowne School wish it to be known that in applying for a school in that neighbourhood they had no desire to in any way interfere with the Te Ore Ore School or to transfer that School to Lansdowne.

14th July 1906 PROPOSED SCHOOL AT LANSDOWNE.

Enquiries by Specially Appointed Committee.

Report to be Laid Before the Education Board

Messrs A. W. Hogg, E. Fe1st, and T. R. Fleming (senior inspector), who were appointed a committee by the Wellington Education Board to report on the petition made by Lansdowne residents for the erection of a school in that District, made enquiries concerning the matter yesterday. The Committee in the first instance visited the Te Ore Ore School for the purpose of seeing whether that institution was likely to be affected by a new school at Lansdowne. It was found the great bulk of the pupils there at present are Maoris, only about one fourth being of European parentage The school attendance is on the decline and the probability is that it is destined to become simply a Native school.

The Committee met in the Borough Council Chambers in the afternoon, Messrs D. A. Morton, J. C. Ewington and Walter Harris being present on behalf of the Lansdowne petitioners, and Messrs R. Brown and W. H. Jackson appearing on the other side. A number of interesting facts were placed before the Committee, and a map was exhibited showing the sections at Lansdowne, and also the situation of the residences. From this it appeared that there were over one hundred residences within a very moderate distance of each other. The Lansdowne representatives contended that, on account of the size of the population, the number of children, especially young children, in the neighbourhood, the distance of the main school, and also the side school from their residences, the bad and dangerous state of the road between Lansdowne and the Borough, being in the neighbourhood of stock sale yards, and where there was a large amount of traffic with two bridges to be crossed, a schoolhouse in the District was really imperative.

Inspector Fleming mentioned that he had visited the side school, and ascertained that twenty-four of the young children there hail from Lansdowne. Mr Jackson did not supply figures, but he stated that a very considerable number attending the main school came from Lansdowne, and, if a school was established in that District, it would reduce the grade of the present District High School, and in different ways prejudicially affect it.

Mr Brown stated that in a very short time the road between the Borough and Lansdowne would certainly be improved. If the County Council did not take steps in that direction means would be found to have the work done either by the Borough Council or the Government at their expense.

In reply to a question, Mr Morton stated that even if the road was improved the Lansdowne people would not be satisfied, as they considered the time had come when the families there should be supplied with a school near their residences, instead of young

children being compelled to travel the long distance they have had in the past and have to now.

Mr Hogg, on behalf of the Committee, thanked the representatives for their attendance, and intimated that the facts gleaned would be laid before the Education Board at the next meeting, accompanied by a report of the Committee's views.

21ST July 1906 Te Ore School 10 pound Trust Land Trust

27TH July 1906 EDUCATION BOARD.

The monthly meeting of the Board was held yesterday. A SCHOOL FOR LANSDOWNE. The Sites Committee reported on the application for a school at Lansdowne that the attendance at the school at Te Ore Ore was steadily declining. Out of fifty STUDENTS on the roll only twelve were of European parents. The establishment of a school at Lansdowne was not likely to affect this school, and it would be too far away to injure the Opaki School. The Committee thought the Lansdowne petitioners had made out a strong case. The Chief Inspector concurred in the recommendation, but expressed the opinion that the real solution of the question was the establishment of a second school for Masterton.

Mr Hogg moved, and Mr Fe1st seconded, "That the report be adopted, and that application be made to the School Commissioners for five acres of the Education reserve at Lansdowne as a site for a second school at Masterton."

Mr Fleming said the Masterton main school had nearly seven hundred children, or with the side school between eight and nine hundred. He believed the town would be best served eventually by a school at each end. The motion was agreed to

19th September It was resolved to allow the Te Ore Ore and Fernridge School Cadets to use the range on Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings. In order to encourage shooting amongst the cadets the Club decided to donate trophies for competition. Fairview Rifle Club
19th October 1906 CHATHAM ISLANDS.

A Flourishing School

(Parliamentary Reporter.)

(By Telegraph—Special to Daily Times.)

Wellington, This Day.

Mr J. J. Guest, formerly teacher at Te Ore Ore, is now in charge of a prosperous school at the Chatham Islands. He says the school is getting along splendidly. A cadet corps has been established, and the future looks well. The great want of the place is a medical practitioner. A doctor is now being advertised for by the Government so that this want is likely to be supplied.

We live in one of the finest corners on the face of the earth," said Mr John Larnbie, at Ashburton. "We have the finest climate, the most progressive Government, and the biggest public debt per head in the world."

Aged persons are peculiarly benefited by Steams Wine, as it possesses the stimulating properties of mellow old wine in addition to its value as a body builder and strength renewer.

14th December EDUCATION BOARD.

(By Telegraph—Special to Daily Times.)

Wellington, Last Night,

The Wellington Education Board, at its meeting to-day, passed a vote of thanks to the School Commissioners for the grant of three acres of Waipoua reserve as a site for a school at Lansdowne.

The Te Ore Ore School Committee asked that two acres be obtained adjoining their school site.—Mr Hogg was authorised to arrange for the land required.

The School commissioners had control in Wellington of a 100 acres where the hospital and Lansdowne school was. The idea being that money received would provide revenue to be used on children especially those going to secondary school

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29th January Meetings and Amusements. TE ORE ORE SCHOOL PICNIC. THURSDAY 31st JAN., 1907. CHAMBERLAIN'S FARM, Te Ore Ore. ALL Subscribers cordially invited. Strangers charged a small entrance fee. Swings, Games. Plenty of fun

1th February 1907 Miss H (*Henrietta*) Blomqu1st Assistant appointed

9th March SAD DROWNING ACCIDENT.

By Telegraph—Press Association. WANGANUI, March 8. A sad drowning accident occurred this afternoon. The children of the Upokongaro School, with parents and friends, went up the river to Karawhaike for a picnic. A boy got out of his depth, and two ladies, named Mrs C: F. Grierson and Miss Kate Campbell lost their lives in trying to rescue him. The bodies have been recovered. The boy was saved. (Miss Campbell was well-known and highly-respected in Masterton. She was for some time a teacher at the Te Ore Ore School, and resided at Lansdowne. Her parents lived at Opaki, and removed, a short time ago, to Wanganui, Miss Campbell accompanying them. The relatives of the deceased will have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement).

8th June 1907

PROPOSED SCHOOL AT LANSDOWNE.

EDUCATION BOARD'S ACTION CRITICISED. At a special meeting held by Masterton School Committee; last evening, the Chairman (Mr R; Brown) drew the numbers' attention to a report of the last meeting of the Wellington Education Boards in which reference was made to the proposed establishment of a school at Lansdowne. The report stated that the Chief Inspector of Schools had

submitted a reply to the enquiries of the Education Department as to the probable effect of a school at Lansdowne on the Masterton Side School. The Inspector considered that there would be little or no interference with the Side School for some time, but when the road and bridge connection between Lansdowne and Masterton was improved, the new school at Lansdowne would become the main school for Masterton North, and the Side School would be dispensed with. The Board had adopted the report. Mr Brown expressed indignation at the action of the Board in not consulting the Masterton .School Committee before making such a report public. He went on to say that Lansdowne was not yet in the borough, and it was the Committee's duty to protect the interests of parents residing in the borough. When some of the members of the Board were in Masterton, recently, they had informed him that the establishment of a school at Lansdowne would not interfere with either the Side School 'or the Te Ore Ore School. He considered, however, that it was evident from the report that the Board meant to close both schools. If the Side School were closed, the. position would be that about 160 children, at present attending the school, would have to walk to Lansdowne to attend school. He considered that it was an extraordinary thing that the Inspector should recommend such a proposal to the Board. He added that there were about ten or fifteen children from Lansdowne attending the Side School, and it was considered a hardship for them to have to do so. It was now proposed to close the Side School, and it did not appear to be considered a hardship to send 160 children, at present attending the Side School to Lansdowne. Not many of the children attending the Side School came from near Lansdowne. Most of t them came from the vicinity of the railway station, in which locality the population seemed to be

increasing. Other members present spoke in a similar strain. Each speaker considered that the committee should certainly have been consulted in the matter, and admitted that the report mentioned above was a surprise. "We don't mind them having a school at Lansdowne," said one member, "but we object to the Side School being closed." Finally a committee, consisting of Messrs Brown, Renall and Waddington, was appointed to draft a reply to the Board, expressing surprise at the action of the Board in ignoring the Committee in the matter, and protesting against the proposal to close the Side School.

27th June 1907 The Te Ore Ore School Committee asked that an acre of land be provided alongside of their present site, which being less than an acre, is quite inadequate for buildings, garden, play-ground and for fifty-five children, and paddock for eight horses. Mr Hogg urged that the additional land should be purchased, but the Board decided to postpone the matter for a month as the price demanded appeared excessive

23rd November 1907 TE ORE ORE NOTES.

(Special to Daily Times)

Mr G. Jones, head teacher at Te Ore Ore School is a very energetic gardener, and besides teaching his pupils the art of vegetable gardening he is teaching them fruit culture and grafting. The patch of ground in front of the school has been dug up and is going to be planted with potatoes, after which it will be made into a lawn.

The school children's gardens at Te Ore Ore are looking splendid. The plots, which are about 20ft by 11ft, are sown with vegetable seeds, and when the vegetables are full grown the youthful gardeners are allowed to take home the fruits of their industry.

The Maori pa at Te Ore Ore is getting more European in appearance every day. Instead of old whares, houses of a substantial nature have been erected and the only thing to remind a visitor that it is a Maori village is the beautifully carved old whare runanga, which is well worth paying a visit to. Several new houses are in course of erection round about Te Ore Ore, principally on the Bideford-road near the Maori pa. The school children have planted an apple tree to the memory of their late teacher, Miss Kate Campbell, who lost her life while trying to rescue two boys from drowning in the Wanganui river nearly a year ago. The tree is a graft from one planted by that lady.

11th December 1907 The roads are very dusty just now, attributable to the long spell of dry weather and also the heavy traffic that has been on them on account of the shearing season. A blight was noticed on the beans in their gardens by the school children here, and, after careful watching, they found that the ladybird destroyed it. The potato crops here are looking well, and up till the present I have not heard of any indications of blight. There is not much haymaking round Te Ore Ore this year.

13th December 1907 Te Ore Ore —That the offer, of an area of 1 acrw, 0 roods, 6 poles adjoining the school site, be accepted, contribution of £30 being promised by the Te Ore Ore Trust

14th December 1907 Mr Hogg, M. P., being unable to attend the meeting of the Education Board, on Thursday, communicated with the Secretary asking that several matters of a somewhat urgent nature should receive consideration. He has received a wire intimating that the purchase of one and a half acres adjacent to the school at Te Ore Ore has been approved of, and that the application for a new school at Waterfalls (*Tiraumea*), previously declined, had been received. Mr Hogg saw the Minister as to this application and explained that the

Committee, would be satisfied with a school of very moderate dimensions. It appears that a dozen children have been accommodated up till lately in a room that forms a portion of a store, but that owing to the building being used for the storage of bonedust the aided school has had to be abandoned. The Minister has promised to reconsider the question of providing a suitable building.

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29th January 1908 TE ORE ORE NOTES.

The school is undergoing a much needed painting. It is being thoroughly overhauled, and any decayed boards are being removed and new ones put in their places

30th January 1908n Te Ore Ore

ANNUAL PICNIC

(Special Reporter)

The annual picnic in connection with Te Ore Ore school was held today in a paddock kindly lent for the occasion by Mr F. Holloway. The locality is an ideal spot for a picnic as it is shaded by large willow trees and is near the river. There was a good attendance, and a very enjoyable programme of sports for both children and adults was gone through, to satisfaction of everybody present. An energetic committee had all the arrangements carried out. A word of praise is due to the headmaster (Mr G. Jones) for his efficient supervision of the sports. During the afternoon the following prizes were distributed by the Chairman of the School Committee (Mr A. J. Percy)

Examinations—Standard I. Nellie Haxton, 1st prize; Piti Riri 2nd.

Standard II.—Molly Manihera, 1st Mari Nini, 2nd.

Standard III.—Jessie Cooper, 1st; Isa Jones, 2nd.

Standard IV.—Clara Preston, 1st; Myrtle Haxton, 2nd.

Standard VI.—Ivy Preston, 1st. Preparatory Maud Haxton, 1st; Tom Nini, 2nd.

Preparatory II.—Kate Jaques, 1st; W. Jumbo, 2nd.

The following also received gifts:—

Lorna Cooper, H. Johnson, C. Jones, G. Manihera, Mare Paraone, H. Governor, Ray Johnson, Meri Jeremiah, King Governor, Albert Johnson, Harry Rangitua, H. Peters, K. Scott, Rangi Ruatahi, Stanley Carr, Rupert Blinkhorne.

For attendance first-class certificates and prizes were awarded to Ivy Preston, Clara Preston and Sydney Cooper: second-class certificates and prizes to Jessie Cooper and Piti Riri.

1st February Mr Hogg strongly protested against the expenditure of £2200 out of the building grant on three acres at Lower Hutt, as a site for a second school. The money, he said, would have provided half-a-dozen schools in the country. Mr Allen replied that the country was fairly treated. Mr Hogg maintained that half-an acre would have been sufficient, seeing that the land was inflated by speculation, and the building grant had been misapplied.

It was decided to apply for a grant for the proposed school, accommodation to be provided for two hundred and fifty children. The plans of the Lansdowne School were submitted, together with modified plans of a building estimated to cost £400, which the Department recommended.

The Chairman recommended an adoption of the original plans, submitting that it would be a mistake not to erect an up-to-date school. Mr Hogg said the need of a school was most urgent, but an admirable site had been provided, and even if a little delay was involved, he thought they must wait for a good building. It was decided to apply for a grant for the building originally recommended. The Masterton School Committee wrote complaining of the way in which the reports of the Inspectors, calling attention to the overcrowded condition of the school, had been ignored, and asking that an additional room be built.

The Secretary said the Committee had been advised to secure the use of another building temporarily, and it was decided that this was all that could be done in the meantime.

20th February TE ORE ORE NOTES.

A new residence has just been erected here for Mr W. Cameron. The house is large and fitted with every convenience, and reflects great credit on the builder. The Te Ore Ore School children have been having swimming classes all the summer. The headmaster (Mr G. Jones) takes the boys and Miss Blomquist the girls, who go to the Ruamahunga every other day. As most of the Maori children here can swim they help the teachers to interest the other children.

The school cadets went to Fernridge on Monday to drill with the cadets there, who form the other half of the Masterton Suburban Corps.

There was a remarkable number of stock travelling on the roads on Sunday, principally on account of the Show, and also because the usual stock sales were held on Tuesday instead of Wednesday. The smoke was very thick here for a couple of days, and I was told by a settler of over twenty years standing that this was the hottest summer he had experienced, and also that he had not known there to be so much smoke about before. There are very few trout to be seen in the Ruamahunga River this year

April Te Ore Ore School

ANNUAL EXAMINATIONS

(Special to Daily Times,

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To Standard 2.—Queenie To Tau, Nellie Haxton, Dorothy George, Piti Reiri.

To Standard 1.—Margery Lee, Katie Te Tau, Maud Haxton, Fred. Carr, Jacky Albert, Eti Manaena, Frank Jaques, Geoffrey Boys. Hunter Tehuki.

29th April Te Ore Ore Only four persons attended, the. annual meeting of householders at; To Ore Ore., As the required number for the committee is present no election was held

9th June 1908 The foundation of the new school (*Lansdowne*) has been commenced. The buildings are to face the Te Ore Ore-road, on the same side as the Masterton Hospital, and will be fairly central.

26th June Te Ore Ore School Cadets. —A letter was received from Lieutenant Puhara Te Tau, of the Masterton Mounted Rifles, in which the . writer offered to supervise the teaching of rifle shooting to the cadets at- To Ore Ore school. Captain McDonald raised the question of responsibility in case of accident; who was to be held; responsible?—It was decided that Lieutenant Puhara Te-Taus' offer be accepted on condition, that the head teacher of the school is present during the instruction.

3rd August 1908 The Board decided to contribute £49 towards the purchase of additional land at Te Ore Ore, so as to enlarge the present site, the committee defraying the balance, £30.

3rd August The Te Ore Ore School Committee are fencing in the land recently purchased by the Education Board, and a much enlarged playground will be in occupation in the course of a few days.

30th September A petition is being taken round Lansdowne for signatures (writes our correspondent) to have Mr Jones, master of the Te Ore Ore School, appointed master of the new Lansdowne school.
19th November In reply to a numerously signed memorial of Lansdowne residents, asking that Mr Geo.. Jones, of Te Ore Ore, be appointed to the position of headmaster of the new school, the Education Board states that applications must be publicly invited, but the representations will have due consideration when the appointment is being made.

1909

22nd January At a meeting of the Te Ore Ore School Committee, held on Tuesday last, attention was drawn to the fact that the harvesting operations would greatly interfere with the attendance at the school picnic, which it was proposed to hold on January 28th. In consequence it was unanimously decided to postpone the picnic until Saturday, February 27th, the Saturday being selected so as to enable the children who may then be attending other schools to attend the picnic of their former school.

9th February LANSDOWNE SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS.

WHO IS TO BE HEADMASTER?

BOARD AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE AT VARIANCE. COMMITTEE TAKE A FIRM STAND, OTHER APPOINTMENTS MADE. The question of making appointments to the permanent teaching staff of the new Lansdowne School was dealt with by the Lansdowne School Committee at its first meeting last evening. A communication was read from the Wellington Education Board on the question of the appointment of a headmaster to the effect that the Board had carefully considered a petition presented to it by residents

of Lansdowne, recommending the appointment of Mr G. Jones, headmaster of Te Ore Ore School, to the position, but it had felt that in view of the superior claims of other applicants on various grounds it could not include Mr Jones in the three names finally selected by the Board out of thirty-one applicants for the Committee to make a selection from. The letter stated that it would take care to safeguard the interests of Mr Jones, and pointed out that there could be no loss of salary to Mr Jones for at least a year, and then only if the average attendance of his school were reduced from 60 to 25—a very remote possibility—or for two years, unless the mean average fell to 30, or for three years unless the mean average for the three years -fell to 35. It was also pointed out that the Board would, under the Act just coming into operation, use its powers to appoint Mr Jones to a school equal to the Te Ore Ore should his position suffer through the opening of Lansdowne School.

The Chairman (Mr P. L. Hollings) said he felt somewhat disappointed over the action of the Board in the matter, feeling that the Board had not given that consideration to the question which it should. The gentleman selected for the position by the Board as first nominee held no higher qualification than Mr Jones, and, moreover, had a better school, and stood to gain nothing by coming to Masterton. The action of the Education Board meant & serious injustice to Mr Jones, whose salary would certainly be in jeopardy on account of the fact that his school attendance would fall to a very low average indeed. Mr Jones had earned the confidence of parents, and had done the pioneering in the district, being thus entitled to first consideration on the claims of the Board. Mr Hollings said he had framed a resolution to be sent to the Board, which was as follows

"That the Committee regrets it is unable to approve of the Board's nomination, for position of headmaster, and respectfully requests the Board to reconsider same, for the following reasons:—

(1) That Mr G. Jones, who has been the schoolmaster in the Lansdowne district for some years past, has a first claim to the position;

(2) that it is the unanimous wish of the parents of the children, as expressed in the petition now before the Board, that Mr Jones should hold the position;

(3) that the qualifications of Mr Jones are equal to those of the first nominee of the Board, both holding a D. Certificate;

(4) that the Board has unintentionally misled the applicants for the position by advertising the attendance at 200, when, in point of fact the attendance is not likely, for some years to come, to exceed 100. and the Board's first nominee's position is more valuable to him than the Lansdowne School is likely to be for some years to come;

(6) that Mr Jones, the present Lansdowne schoolmaster, knows what the attendance is likely to be, and is willing to accept the position;

(7) that if Mr Jones is passed over, his present position at Lansdowne will be ruined, as most of the children from his present school are being transferred to the new school;

(8) that Mr Jones is entitled to the promotion to the new Lansdowne School, inasmuch as he has coiled in the district for some time at a considerable disadvantage to himself, waiting for an improvement in the district, and now that the district has improved, it is unjust to deprive him of it;

(9) That the whole of the residents of Lansdowne, including the Committee, will be bitterly disappointed if Mr Jones is refused the position, as it will mean his removal from the district, which everyone is anxious to avoid."

The motion was seconded by Mr Ross.

Mr J. C. Ewington supported the motion. Either the Board or the Committee had to make an appointment, and if it were to be the Board they should do it, but if the Committee were to have any power they should use it. The speaker felt that in the circumstances outlined by the motion, the Committee should take a firm stand. If the Board

made the appointment they took the full responsibility. Other speakers agreed that the Committee should hold out firmly against the Board's action. The motion was carried unanimously

26th February Miss E. Blomquist, who for the past two years has been assistant mistress at Te Ore Ore School, and who has been transferred to Karangahape School, Auckland, was presented yesterday afternoon at Te Ore Ore with a pair of silver mounted cut glass scent bottles by the pupils and Committee of the Te Ore Ore School. Mr A. J. Percy, Chairman of the School Committee, who made the presentation, referred in eulogistic terms to Miss Blomquist's ability as a teacher and wished her every success in her new position

13 Feb 1909 TE ORE Ore Assistant Mistress 90 pound PP

27th Feb 1909 The difficulty over the appointment of a headmaster for the Lansdowne School was dealt with by the Education Board in committee on Thursday afternoon. The names of the three applicants submitted by the board to the school committee were rejected, the chairman of the committee asking for the inclusion of the name of Mr. G. Jones, Te Ore Ore School. The letter added that it was the unanimous wish of the residents and committee that, he should be appointed. The board decided to adhere to its decision, and, if necessary, make the selection independent of the wish of the committee, a course provided for by the Act. Definite action is to stand over for ten days, and in the meantime the chief inspector will probably see the committee at Lansdowne and endeavour to so explain matters as will lead to a satisfactory conclusion

1st March 1909 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

ANNUAL PICNIC. The children of Te Ore Ore School held their annual picnic in Mr Holloway's paddock, Te Ore Ore, on Saturday last. The attendance was large, and included pupils from the Masterton and Lansdowne Schools. A number of races were keenly contested by the children. The School Committee had all the arrangements complete, and are to be congratulated on the success of the function. Mr G. Jones, headmaster, deserves a special word of praise for the able manner in which he supervised the gathering.

The following children won races: —Girls: Misses I. Bacon, I. Williams, G. Cosnell, Dorothy Lee, Myrtle Watson (2), D. George (2), B. Rhodes. Q. Te Tau (2) K. Te Tau (3) F. Billington and M. Scott, and Masters Rangi, J. Bacon, Cecil Rhodes (2), Whare, Jumbo, Frank Jaques, G. Treador (2). W. Scott, T. John, W. Te Tau, J. Governor and P. Haeata.

During the afternoon the chairman of the School Committee (Mr A. J. Percy) presented the prizes won during the year to the following:—General proficiency: Standard V., Jessie Scott 1; Standard IV., Maggie Scott 1; Standard III., Norma Boyes 1, Walter Scott 2; Standard II., Queenie Te Tau 1, Dorothy George 2; Standard I., Fred Carr 1, Frank Jaques 2. Preparatory classes: George Manihera, Charlie Jaques, Rex Gosnell, Ken Scott, Grace Gosnell and Meri Jeremiah. Sewing: Senior, Jessie Scott 1, Isa Jones 2; junior, Katie Jaques 1; special, Maggie Scott 1. Attendance: Jessie Cooper 1, Percy Cooper and Sydney Cooper 1; full attendances

10th March 1909 Miss G. Mackay, Te Ore Ore Assistant PP

3rd May 1909 At the Parkvale School on Friday afternoon, writes our Carterton correspondent, Miss L. Smith, who has been transferred to the Te Ore Ore School, was presented with a gold pendant set with a large sapphire, a gold brooch set with rubies and diamonds, and a silver-mounted cut glass smelling salts bottle. Mr J. Davidson, headmaster, made the presentation, and the recipient feelingly

responded. Miss G. Armstrong, from Nireaha, will replace Miss Smith at Parkvale.

1st June 1909 The election for a school committee at Te Ore Ore School last evening resulted in the following being returned:—Messrs. J. Morris (chairman);-A. J. Percy, J. J. Percy, G. Shaw, H. Donald, W. Cower, and E. Hunt.

1910

19th January 1910 Owing to a considerable decrease in the number of children attending the Te Ore Ore School, the teaching staff has been reduced, Miss Smith, who has been on the staff for some months past, has been transferred elsewhere

26th April 1910 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

A quiet meeting of householders was held at Te Ore Ore last evening, when the following School Committee was elected:—Messrs J. Morris, O. J. Percy, G. Shaw, W. Cooper, A. McLauchlan, and L. Donald. The committee subsequently elected Mr J. Morris chairman, and retained the services of Mr G. A. Jones as secretary. treasurer

3rd September 1910 The annual picnic of the Te Ore Ore School will not be held this year, and instead the committee intend paying the expenses of the children who attend the Nary League school excursion to Wellington

28th September There are now two hundred and sixty members of the Navy League in Masterton, and a branch has been formed at the Te Ore Ore school with a membership of twenty-two.

1911

11th February The Te Ore Ore school picnic was hold yesterday on the old Te Ore Ore farm, which was kindly lent by Messrs Percy Bros. Sports events and miscellaneous competitions, gave much amusement to the spectators and great enjoyment to the juvenile competitors. The chief events were won by Myrtle Watson, Leslie Donald, Sidney Cooper, Nairn Haeata, and the racing brought to light some splendid performers. Gift books were presented to each scholar, and the following received special prizes:— Sidney Cooper for attendance; Isa Jones, McLeod and Young's Navy League special for the girls, and George Hunter the same firm's gift for the boys; Muriel Douglas, senior sewing; Myrtle Haxton, a special prize; Margery Lee, junior sewing; Myrtle Watson, a special prise. A most enjoyable picnic was brought to a close by the consolation races, one and all pronouncing the gathering a great success.

16th February AT THE MASTERTON SHOW. INSPECTED BY HIS EXCELLENCY. A feature of the Masterton Show yesterday was the exhibit made in the agricultural hail by the various schools of the district. An interesting and useful exhibit was a collection of seeds of about sixty weeds, gathered, named and bottled by the children of the Te Ore Ore School

21st April The main school at Te One, in the Chatham Islands, is still in charge of Mr J. J. Guest, one time teacher of the Te Ore Ore school, Masterton.

25th April The friends of Mr G. C. Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore school, will be sorry to hear that a sudden attack of sickness has made it impossible for him to attend to his school duties during the last day or two

3rd May The friends of Mr G. A. Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore school, whoso illness was reported m a recent issue of the Age, will regret to hear that he has found it necessary to undergo an operation for appendicitis at the Masterton Hospital.

16th June The friends of Mr Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore School, will be pleased to learn that be is making a good recovery after his .recent operation for appendicitis

28th June The. resignations of Miss L. Smith, of the Te Ore Ore School has been accepted

2nd October Mr G. A. Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore school, has been elected president of the Wairarapa branch of the Teachers' Institute for the ensuing year

1912

17th March Mr H. J. Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore School, met with a very painful accident on Friday last. Mr Jones was cutting some firewood when the axe .slipped and cut the artery of the wrist in. two places, and also the main tendon. Mr Jones was conveyed to the Masterton Hospital, where he is progressing as well as can be expected

1913

8th Sept 1913 Assistant mistress at Te Ore Ore School, Miss D. E. Jackson, from the Taueru School

1914

10th Feb 1914 Prior to visiting the school Mr. Allen, with Sir Walter Buchanan and Captain Braddell (of the local Defence Department), went Out to Te Ore Ore and inspected the school rifle range, a portion of which the Government is contemplating purchasing for closer settlement purposes

13th March The. matron of the Masterton Hospital acknowledges gifts of fruit from Mr P. J. Robbins and vegetables from the headmaster and pupils of Te Ore Ore school.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

WAIRARAPA BRANCH. (BY TELEGRAPH—SPECIAL TO THE POST.) MASTERTON, 6th July. The annual meeting of the Wairarapa branch of the New Zealand Teachers' Institute was held in Masterton on Saturday afternoon. Mr. F. L. Combs, B.A. (president) occupied the chair, and over fifty teachers from all parts of the district—from Mangatainoka to Cross Creek were present. Correspondence was read from Ministers and members of Parliament, in reply to the insutue's circular setting out the disabilities under which teachers were working, and in every case the replies were of a sympathetic nature. In dealing with the annual report the president referred to the need there was for a substantial increase in members' subscriptions, so that there might be more profitable activity on the part not only of the branch, but of the institute as a whole. He thought that, the gratuitous services of conscientious secretaries had been depended upon too long, and these should be paid for their valuable work, He also argued that the services of a paid secretary, who would devote all his time to the work, should be appointed by the Dominion Executive. The balance-

sheet showed receipts for the year totalled £48 5s and expenditure £40 19s, the main item of expenditure being £24 15s paid to the Wellington executive, as the branch's contribution to various funds The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :—President, Mr. W. H. Jackson (Masterton); vice-presidents, Mr. G. W. Chatwin (Mangatainoka) and Mr. C. M. Cumming (Agricultural Instructor), unopposed. For the committee a ballot resulted in the election of Messrs. F. L. Combs, B.A. (Mauriceville West), G. A. Jones (Te Ore Ore), R J. Foss (Fernridge), O. Bringans (Scarborough; Pahiatua), J. Fieldhouse (South Featherston), Miss Marryatt (Opaki), and Miss Haggett (Lansdowne); representatives on Wellington District Institute Committee of Management, Messrs.. F. L. Combs and D. E. Leslie; hon. secretary, Mr. D. E. Leslie (roe-elected); hon. treasurer, Mr. A. P. Murphy (District High School, Masterton); hon. auditor, Mr. A. D. Low, A.I.A.N.Z. (re-elected). 7th July 1814

13th July 1914 Trust Land Trust 2 pounds 50 pence (*Awarded to Te Ore Ore school on number of pupils attending from within trust land Trust boundaries*)

24 Nov 1914 Mr. A. H. Cockayne advised that he had awarded his prize for the best collection of weeds to Te Ore Ore School

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27th February 1915 ALLIES RELIEF FUND.

The secretary (Mr D. Heberton) acknowledges the following additional donations to. the Poor of Great Britain and Allies Relief Fund:— Previously acknowledged £2502 -8- 9 W. H. Beetham .; £100 0 0 Te Ore Ore School Children £20 0 0 Total .£2622-8-9

7th April TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

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22nd May 1915 Mr G. A. Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore School, has been appointed instructor in the English and arithmetic class at the Masterton Technical School, -the vacancy having been, caused by the resignation of Mr H. Miller. There were five applications for the position. Mr Jones will take up his duties on .Tuna 14th.

17th December The breaking-up function of the Te Ore Ore school this year took the form of an afternoon tea given to the children by the School Committee and their friends

17th December Advantage was taken of the meeting of parents and children at Te Ore Ore school yesterday to say farewell to Miss Dorothy Jackson who is severing her connection with the Te Ore Ore .school staff to take up a position in the Masterton school. Mr McGregor, chairman of the School Committee, spoke of the children's and parents' respect for Miss Jackson, and handed her on their behalf. a writing desk as a small token of their esteem.

1916

18th February Mr G. A. Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore school, has been appointed instructor in book-keeping to the Masterton Technical School. (*All this work was in addition to his work at Te Ore Ore*)

24th November The monthly meeting of the Board managers of the Technical School night, when there were J. M. Coradine W. H. Jackson, and was mostly of a routine nature;

It resolved that, provided the attendance at the reopening of school next year, warrants the continuance of four art classes, the salary of the instructress be increased by 10 pound

In the past Technical School free place country students have been placed at a great disadvantage, in as much one class that the Department makes a compulsory class, namely English and arithmetic, has been conducted only at night. The board of Management decided that nest year an additional English and arithmetic day class from 3.15 p.m. till 5 p.m. on Mondays or Fridays, and an, additional bookkeeping class at the same hours on Tuesdays, should be established. The services of Mr-G A. Jones, head mastcr of the Te Ore Ore school, were retained for both classes

1917

21st December 1917 The Te Ore Ore school broke-up yesterday afternoon for its summer vacation. There was no ceremony of any kind, this having been held over until the annual school picnic day. The following is a list of those receiving promotion in standards as from January 1st next: —

Standard VI. —Proficiency certificate. —Archer Morris. Competency certificate endorsed. —Malcolm Donald.

Promoted to Standard VI.—Marjory McGregor, Mary McKenzie, David Donald, John Morris, Robert. Ryan.

Promoted to Standard V.—Tae Haeata, Waata Brown, Una Percy.

Promoted to Standard IV.—H. Brooks, Francis Shaw, Donald McKenzie, Mihi Renata.

Promoted to Standard 111. —Mavis Brooks, Jean Donald, Maggie Byrnes, Agnes Woodham, Alfred Byrnes, Tiki Albert, Robert Morris, George Oliver, Eric Moore, Eric Shaw.

Promoted to Standard II.—Carlton Byrnes, Allen Morris, Alfred Percy, Jack Percy, Doris McKenzie, Dorothy Percy. Promoted to Standard I. —Shirley Percy, Robert Woodham, Edna McLauchlan, Ivy Harris, Rita Gooding.

1918

28th Feb 1918

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS

AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE. An important conference was held in Masterton last night in connection with projected alterations in the school arrangements. Sixteen representatives of the various schools were present, and the Mayor occupied the chair. The Education Board was represented by Mr Stewart (secretary), Messrs Hogg and Moss (members of the Board), and Messrs Bakewell and Stuckey (Inspectors). A map was presented showing where the Board proposed to erect new school at the upper end of Cole Street on five or six acres of land acquired from the Perry Estate. A proposal was submitted to close Te Ore Ore school, owing to its proximity to the Lansdowne school and to convey the building to the Solway site. The proposal excited considerable discussion. There was also a lot of discussion on the effect the proposed new school would have on the side school. The conference passed a resolution recommending that the new standard school be erected as soon as possible; that the closing of the Te Ore Ore school be deferred; and that additions be

made to the Lansdowne school as it was becoming overcrowded. Votes of thanks to the visitors terminated the conference.

23rd September CLOSING OF SMALL SCHOOLS.

A Strong Remonstrance

The business taken in committee at the meeting of the Wellington Education Board last week was made unusually interesting by certain proposals to reduce or close some of the little schools in the Wairarapa, Residents of Greytown and its neighbourhood petitioned against the closing of the Papawai side school, where a good congregation of young Maori children receive their early education Newman school seems on the decline, and a proposal is being made to convert it into a side school, a suggestion that does not meet with favour because school is too far away from the District high school at Eketahuna to be of any use to the younger juveniles, and with a competent teacher the senior pupils can be prepared for the secondary classes. Some of the members had no hesitation in declaring the side school to be an unhealthy extreme, of no service whatever beyond helping the larger schools to bump up numbers and salaries.

The Te Ore Ore school, which is just outside the Borough of Masterton, next figured in the dock, and members turned their eyes appealingly to Mr Hogg. Why does this school figure on the Order Paper?" he asked. Who suggests that it should be closed? Can any school near Masterton show a finer record, Only a short time ago we had an educational conference, at which we dealt with the needs of our schools. The board, the inspectors, chairmen and members of committees were present, and after a good discussion it was unanimously resolved that the Te Ore Ore school should not be disturbed. I understand that one of the inspectors favours the suggestion. Apparently, if he could, he would close up every moderate-sized school in the district. An organisation called the Teachers' Institute, which is brimful of reforms, also urges the closing-up of the small country school. But if we are going to have closer settlement and improved production we must retain our small

schools. Settlers will not live on their sections and rear families if they don't have schools, however small, within a reasonable distance of their homes. What we need is not to emasculate and close these schools, but to provide them with experienced and well paid teachers, Look at the list of applications sent in for vacancies that have to be filled. Over twenty for a position worth £300 a year, and for places worth £100 (\$11,833.91 in 2014 money terms) to £140 a year virtually no applications at all. Yet, the young teacher sent to a one-teacher school to earn £120 has a far harder task than the assistant with £300. It is just as well to speak plainly when our little country schools are attacked, and I would suggest that when questions of this nature arise they should be dealt within open court and not in committee."

The secretary and chairman explained that the proposal to close the smaller schools was due to the Department's instructions.

30 Sept 1918A correspondent N..S. Wales, has asked for the meaning of Te Ore 'Ore, the name of a place near Masterton. The single word Ore means to bore, probe, or search out. The duplicate Ore Ore used as a verb, means to incite, to alarm. To shake, or to quiver; The compound has been used adjectively with the meaning of alarmed. Mr. Elsdon Best, said that, lacking local traditions in association with the name, it would be- impossible to state definitely what the original namer of the place had in mind.

16th December 1918 Mr G A. Jones requests the Te Ore Ore school children to assemble on Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, to get their books (*School closed because of Flu epidemic*)

1919

1st May Mr G. A. Jones, of the Te Ore Ore school, has been appointed headmaster of the Johnsonville school.

1955/30199 Jones George Adams 84Y

1871/30068 Jones George Adams Jane Rea Frederick

20th May Mr. G. A. Jones, headmaster of the Te Ore Ore School, who has been appointed headmaster at Johnsonville, leaves for his new home at the end of next week. Mr. Jones is prominent in musical and chess circles, and has also been president of the Wairarapa Teachers' Institute

9th June 1919 The proposal to require the older scholars of the Te Ore Ore School to proceed to the Lansdowne School is being strenuously res1sted by the settlers of the district.

14th July Inspector Stuckey and Mr A. W. Hogg on Saturday morning met a number of Te Ore Ore settlers, and discussed the question of converting the Te Ore Ore School into an infant, school. The settlers expressed themselves strongly opposed to this being pursued

16th July FIRE AT TE ORE ORE
PUBLIC SCHOOL DESTROYED

About 10.30 o'clock last evening u vigorous alarm was sounded on the Masterton firebells, and a reflection of fire was soon observed in the northern sky. The Fire Brigade, with its motor engine, proceeded quickly to Te Ore Ore, where it was found that the State school was in a mass of flames. The Brigade could do nothing to save the building, which was reduced to ashes.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. Apparently all was safe when the lady teachers left on Tuesday afternoon. The building, which contained two rooms, was valued at about £600, and was erected some years ago. Since the departure of Mr G. A. Jones, a proposal had been made that the school be converted into an infant school, the elder scholars going to Lansdowne. This was, however, strenuously opposed by the settlers. An official enquiry into the cause of the fire will be held in due course by members of the Education Board.

17th July 1919 The children who were attending the Te Ore Ore School, which was destroyed by fire on Tuesday night, will probably be accommodated at ' the Lansdowne School in the meantime

25th July 1919 An official inquiry regarding the fire by which the Te Ore Ore School was destroyed was held by Mr. A. W. Hogg, a member of the Education Board, on Wednesday. The evidence threw no light upon the origin of the conflagration.

21 August 1919 Featherston. Mr. Hogg objected to the whole idea of closing down small schools, in furtherance of the system of centralisation. The small schools, many of which were old-established institutions, were doing most useful work, and the closing down of those schools would be at the expense- of the pupils and of the settlers. He instanced the case of the Te Ore Ore School, which was recently burned down, and said that all the settlers in the district were up in arms over the idea of the transferring of the children to the Lansdowne School. Mr. Harkness said the experience of Levin was that the conveyance of children by coach was unsatisfactory. His own idea was that the conveyance should be a motor lorry

24th July 1919 TE ORE ORE SCHOOL
RE-BUILDING URGED,

Messrs A. W. Hogg and T. Moss, members of the Education Board, accompanied by Messrs G. L. Stewart, secretary, and A. McDougall, architect, to the Board, paid a visit yesterday afternoon to Te Ore Ore for the purpose of investigating the circumstances relating to the fire by which the school there was recently destroyed, and seeing what arrangements could temporarily be made for the education of the young people. Mr Hogg presided at the enquiry, and some evidence was taken, .but nothing transpired that could throw the slightest light on the cause or origin of the fire.

Several members of the school committee were present, and a few of the residents, an advantage was taken of the occasion to secure an expression of opinion with regard to the provision of: educational facilities for the District. The views of those who were present were unanimous that the school occupied a good central position, and that the Board and Department should be asked to lose no time in having it reestablished by the erection of a good building of concrete, an abundance of the material for which —sand and shingle—is close at hand. In the meantime it is proposed to secure, if possible, the Catholic Church, and fit it up as a schoolroom

31st July TE ORE ORE SCHOOL

For the past twelve months there has been a move on the part of the Education Board to deprive the residents of Te Ore Ore of a school in their district, the contention being that it would be in the interests of the children if they received their education at Lansdowne. The Committee, however, held that, although the school was only 1½ miles from Lansdowne, the greater proportion of the sixty-odd children came from outlying districts. The Committee, in opposing the proposal to close the school, held up the danger to children in crossing the narrow Ruamahunga bridge leading to Lansdowne. The school, while the fight between the Committee and the officials was in progress, was demolished by fire. This placed a weapon in the hands of the officials sufficient to dominate the position. However, a Maori chief placed the Catholic Church at the disposal of the Committee, which informed the authorities it was prepared to make the church into two class rooms and provide the necessary outbuildings. Then the Committee was informed that the building was too small, and that provision would be made for the older pupils to attend the Lansdowne school, the younger children to be at the church. While arrangements were being completed to put this proposal into operation, the Maori chief intimated that unless the whole of the children were taught at the church it would not be available to the Board. In the meantime the Board has called tenders

for the carriage of the children from Te Ore Ore to Lansdowne. The Committee is determined that not one child shall cross the bridge, and has arranged to place its case before the Minister of Education. The Masterton School Committees' Association, after hearing the Te Ore Ore delegate, and on learning that the Lansdowne school was already overcrowded and understaffed, has passed a resolution disapproving of the treatment meted out to the Te Ore Ore Committee by the Education Board,

1st August 1919 Wairarapa Daily Times [Established 44 Years.]
FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 1919. TE ORE ORE SCHOOL.

Nearly two years ago, when the proposal to erect one or two extra schools in this district was causing some stir, an education conference was held in Masterton. It was composed of the Board's machinery and the chairmen or certain of the school committees concerned. The Board's machinery, consisting of the secretary and two inspectors, favoured the erection of new schools, but advised the closing or dismantling of the school at Te Ore Ore. The meeting passed a resolution that the new buildings should be proceeded with, but the Te Ore Ore school should not be interfered with. Under a very competent teacher it had for many years been doing good service, and there was no sound reason for the attempt to close it, except that somebody, best known to the department, wanted very badly to feed the larger schools at the expense of the smaller ones. Time passed and the Lansdowne School, situated a mile and a half from Te Ore Ore, being overcrowded, was awarded an infant school. This new building, travelling at a reinforced concrete snail's pace, will be completed in a few weeks, and now a, most determined attack is again made on Te Ore Ore. First, a good appointment—which he richly deserves, is secured for the head teacher. He leaves, after being duly complimented and reluctantly farewelled by the parents and committee.

The Board provides the necessary retiring staff, and advertises for a new teacher There is very good competition for the vacancy, but for

some reason not disclosed, no appointment is made. When the applicants and Committee enquire why the vacancy has not been filled, they are told that consideration of the matter has been postponed, and that is all the satisfaction they can get. from the Board, accompanied by Inspector Stuckey, Mr A. W. Hogg visited Te Ore Ore and met the Committee. He was astonished, as well as pleased, at, the size and appearance of the school. Over sixty pupils were receiving instruction, and everything appeared to be in apple-pie order, except that the seats and desks for the higher standards were suffering from wear and tear, and were out of date. The settlers and members of the Committee were consulted on the question of sending the advanced classes to Lansdowne, but the parents were resolute in declaring that the size and grade of their school should be maintained. All they required was to be provided with a strong head teacher. On the evening before the Board met the school was burnt down, and a week later the Board's machinery visited the ruins, held an inquest, elicited nothing, and discussed the situation. Several experts, including the Board's clerk of works, took the dimensions of the Roman Catholic Church, and finding it would provide ample accommodation, decided to convert it into a temporary school while a fine new school in concrete was being erected. This should have ended the chapter of misfortunes, but on the following morning the Board's machinery retraced its steps, motored back to Te Ore Ore, measured the church afresh, and this time found the floor space quite inadequate for the young people. Promptly through the press tenders are now invited for the conveyance of scholars to the Lansdowne School, and the Education Board intimates that by courtesy of the Lansdowne Committee and master, pupils of Standards 3 to 6 will be temporarily enrolled at their school. Needless to say, the Te Ore Ore committee are up in arms. Although the distance between Te Ore Ore and Lansdowne is under, two miles, the road is impassable for young children. There are no paths, and the central track, though metalled, is dangerously occupied with livestock and vehicles. A long

narrow bridge goes over the Ruamahunga River, and this is often thronged with sheep and cattle. What surprises a good many is the way in which the Board, or its machinery, is dealing with the emergency. Apparently, it was desirous of getting rid of the Te Ore Ore school, and when the building is destroyed it refuses to take advantage temporarily of a well-built church. How does it happen that the church, possesses ample room for the children when first measured, and then next morning, when again measured, the space is quite inadequate.

21st August CLOSING A SCHOOL PROTEST BY EDUCATION BOARD,

Vigorous protests were entered by several members of the Education Board meeting yesterday against the proposal of the Department to close down the Tauherenikau School, at any rate, until such time a proper arrangements could be made for the conveyance of the children to Featherston. Mr. Hogg objected to the whole idea of closing down small schools, in furtherance of the system of centralisation. The small schools, many of which were old-established institutions, were doing most useful work, and the closing down of those schools would be at the expense- of the pupils' and of the settlers. He instanced the case of the Te Ore Ore School, which was recently burned down, and said that all the settlers in the district were up in arms over the idea of the transferring of the children to the Lansdowne School. Mr. Harkness said the experience at Levin was that the conveyance of children by coach was unsatisfactory. His own idea was that the conveyance should be a motor lorry, and that both coming and going the children should be under the care of a teacher. Mr. London said there might be difficulties in centralisation of schools, but there could be no doubt about its advantages to the great mass of the pupils. The Tauherenikau School Committee, in protesting against the proposed action of the Department, said it would be extremely difficult to get transport for the children. Mr. Shand said the Inspector had reported that the children would be

better served under a scheme of centralisation. The people of the district appeared to have taken little interest in the matter until it had been decided to close the school. Mr. Moss said he was in favour of centralisation, but he pointed out that the Featherston School is already crowded and that there is great difficulty in getting a conveyance. It was eventually moved by Mr. Moss and seconded by Mr. Shand, that the Tauherenikau School be continued. Mr. Penny urged that it would be better to pass a motion in general terms expressing the opinion of the Board that the centralisation policy should not be carried out until the problem of conveyance had been solved.

Mr. Field supported that view, and Mr. Penny moved and Mr. Field seconded an amendment to that effect, and it was carried, the original motion being withdrawn

4th October 1919 Director of Ed writes to Wellington Education Board stating that the school should not be built so close to Lansdowne. The most that can be conceded is a side school (*For the younger children*)
The Education Board replies that the school should be rebuilt for the following reasons

- a) Quite a number of families have to ride or drive. It will be very much less convenient if some went to Lansdowne while others attended Te Ore Ore
- b) Before they reach the junction (*Bideford turnoff*) some parents have already travelled over 4 miles
- c) It has been found impossible to get anyone to undertake conveyance
- d) There is a Maori pa close to Te Ore Ore School the children of which have known no other school
- e) The Lansdowne school even with two rooms nearly completed would not long meet the requirements of rooms

20th November Miss M. C. McPhee as assistant at the Te Ore Ore school, Resigns

6th December Department will only build a one room side school

11th December SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS

THE TE ORE ORE SCHOOL. MR. HOGG PROTESTS. The chairman of the Education Board and Mr. London constituted the Appointments Committee that dealt this week with the applications of teachers for vacancies. They made recommendations for assistantships at Berampore, Featherston, Masterton West, Fernridge, Kaiwarra, Te Ore Ore, and a head teacher at Ohau. It was suggested that the selection of a head teacher for Te Ore Ore school be deferred. Mr. Hogg asked why the appointment should be postponed, when there were eleven applications. The chairman replied that the Department objected to a school with more than one room being established. Mr. Hogg: But surely the Department don't object to a two-teacher school with about seventy of an average attendance, which unfortunately was destroyed by fire, being replaced by a school of similar dimensions. The Chairman: "The Department does object." Mr. Hogg: "In spite of the declared wishes of the Board, the School Committee, and the parents. This looks like autocratic rule. If the administrative functions of Education Boards are to be treated in this way, we may as well have no Boards at all. It is our duty to protect the settlers and their Committees against any curtailment of the educational facilities provided by the State for their children, and this action on the part of the Department should be resented. In the absence of applications, it was next proposed that the position of solo teacher at Saunders Road be re-advertised.

Mr. Hogg: This is another instance of glaring educational incapacity. It proves how the wants of the country parents and their families are ignored. Here we have a school and a community of sheep-farmers, but a permanent teacher seems an impossibility." The Chairman: "What is the reason?" Mr. Hogg: "There is no teacher's residence. A

school has been in existence for nearly thirty years, it has done good work, and the families have appreciated it. The homes of the settlers are scattered widely apart, and the teacher has a job to find lodgings. Once a good building was destroyed because no one was about when the flames broke out. The School Committee have applied to me, and I have written to the Board and the Board has been communicating with the Department for years, innumerable letters having been written asking that a small whare or something like a dog-house be furnished for the teacher.

The Chairman: "But we don't put teachers in whares."

Mr. Hogg: "I have known teachers under this Board glad to find a cover of some kind under a flax bush, and we have pleaded in vain for them. How often have female teachers been compelled to secure a pupil to keep them company? Saunders' Road has been in occasional resting place for the tired and inexperienced, but they can find a better place. A year or two ago the Department offered £200 to build a residence, but I was told that our Clerk of Works could not get a carpenter to do the work. I moved that the money be handed over to the school Committee, but the Board got to withdraw the motion, and they would try to arrange matters. I would like to know if the money has been spent?"

The Chairman: "Have we got it?"

The Secretary: "No, it has been withdrawn."

Mr. Hogg: "By whom?"

The Secretary: "By the Department."

Mr. Hogg: "There you are. The Department again!" The Chairman promised to do his best to extract a refund from the Department be offered to a hungry carpenter.

13th December in a respectful letter the board dig their toes in.

18th December Department writes back will not budge. The red herring is that a school will be need two miles further along Taueru Road when

subdivision happens. I Guess this is the Wainuioru Turnoff the Castlepoint Road

1920

10th February 1920 Department now wants to build the new Taueru Road School (Two miles East) AND move the Wangaehu school further towards Te Ore Ore

26th February 1920

THE PRESENT POSITION. An "Age" representative yesterday discussed the question of the Te Ore Ore school, with Mr Lawrence Donald, Chairman of the School Committee. It appears that owing to strong representations made to the Minister for Education by the settlers, there is now a chance of the Education Board altering its previous decision, and erecting an up-to-date school, and not the infants' school that was formerly contemplated. Some months ago, after considerable discussion, the settlers came to the conclusion that they would have one more attempt to obtain" their requirements, and again communicated with the Education Board, urging upon it the advisability of rebuilding the school on its former site. The Board replied stating, that it could not see its way then to erect otherwise than an infants' school on the old site. The settlers then held another meeting, and determined to obtain the assistance of the Hon. Sir Walter Buchanan, and they later interviewed the Minister of Education, who informed them that their request would be considered by the Department. Sir Walter Buchanan again interested himself in the matter, and as a result the Board wrote asking the settlers to try and obtain a site nearer Bennett's Hill, as it considered, the old site too near to Lansdowne school. The settlers have since obtained the promise of a site near the Weraiti road, which is considered to be admirably situated. The country further out is considered to be too damp for a school site. The Board was informed of the decision of the settlers, and promised to send and have the

site inspected. This has not been done, although the promise was made some weeks ago. The winter will soon be here, and a most unfortunate position exists, some of the children being quartered in a marquee, while others are in the Roman Catholic Church at Te Ore Ore. This has been the position of the children since last June, and it is quite time that the Board came to some kind of an agreement, with the winter conditions approaching, and no proper accommodation for the children.

1st March Te Ore Ore Head Teachership 220 to 270 pounds and 30 HA and assistant 140 to 160 pound 21 November 1919 repeated 1st March 1920 13th March 1920 A letter from Te Ore Ore stating that only 4 out of 64 children would benefit from new School wanted by Department 2 miles East

19th March Department gives up on new 2-mile site

22nd April Director of Education writes including

- a) There will be one Committee, the teacher will be transferred as soon as possible, Te Ore Ore will be a side school to Lansdowne

29th April Application for new School

Building to be reinforced concrete Asbestos Slate roof

Present school still under Marquee

30th April Owing to the fact that a large number of the children are Maoris, it is very desirable to have the sanitary arrangements of the school as efficient as possible

Offer by Mr Daniell to build school

- a) Material to be charged as usual to contractors
- b) All labour as per time sheet of men plus 15/- per cent on wages
- c) In most instances, the Board would not feel disposed to such offer but Mr Daniell being such an honourable man, it considers that it is probably the best that can be done.

11th June 1920 marquee has been up for 9 months and defence force wants some payment for it

20 July 1920 The Minister of Education has announced that the following grants have been approved' for work in the Wellington education District Martinborough School, rebuilding in brick, £13,602; Te Ore Ore School, rebuilding in brick, £3948

18th December Neither Te Ore Ore or Martinborough schools have been started

1921

29th September 1921 The Catholic church owned by Te Ore Ore Maoris wants the church to be painted after the school has been in for over two years

24th Oct 1921 MASTERTON, This Day. The Hon. C. J. Parr, Minister of Education, will visit Masterton on 29th October, to open the Methodist orphanage. The Minister will also open the new school at Te Ore Ore

3rd November "What is the use of a first-class brain if the body is not sound?" said the Hon. C. J. Parr, speaking at the opening of the Te Ore Ore school. "Our children must have sound bodies. There has been great progress during recent years in school architecture; in the old schools we had every abominable evil of wrong lighting and ventilation.. So long as I am Minister of Education, the health and physical well-being of the child must come before anything else." (Applause.)

1922

19th July The Department announced that the grading and other improvements at the Kaiwarra School could not; proceed. It was decided to make further representations. Separation: of the Te Ore Ore School from Lansdowne was also declined, but further appeal is to be made, as the Lansdowne School is overcrowded and there is a vacant room at Te Ore Ore

1923

1st March 1923 Instruction at Te Ore Ore to be raised to Standard 4

15th May 1922 Wellington Education Board want Te Ore Ore to become a separate school again The site has been extended

Members of the Education Board expressed astonishment that a letter to the Minister in October last, forwarding a recommendation in regard to the status of the Te Ore Ore school had not been replied to. Regret was expressed that the board had not been acquainted by the Education Department with the promise of the Minister to the Te Ore Ore committee that its school should be separated from, Lansdowne

1925

1st May 1925 Electricity introduced

5th May 1925 Lansdowne.—Messrs. D. A. Bickering, P. McComish, M. Sanson, H. V. Halse, H. E. Pither, R. P. Harcombe, J. Allen, E. Welch, F. A. Hosking. ' Mr. Bickering was elected chairman, and Mr. McComish secretary. The following resolution was carried : "That this meeting of householders emphatically protests against the

severing of Te Ore Ore School, and the consequent transfer of any teacher from the Lansdowne School during the present year." It was decided to forward this resolution to the Education Board,' and to forward a petition from the householders protesting against any changes at present.

22nd July 1925 Miss C. H. Kelleher, who has been for 26 years head teacher at Waingawa (*Kaitara*), has been appointed head mistress at Te Ore Ore School, Masterton. Miss L. H. Robinson has been appointed as assistant. The secretary of the Education Board has notified the Lansdowne School Committee that the separation of the Lansdowne and Te Ore Ore schools will take effect on 31st August 22nd July 1925

*NB All Records above are taken from Papers Past
The entry of 31st August 1925 is the first entry by
Miss Kelleher in the log*

31st August This school reopened as a school independent of Lansdowne

Staff C H Kelleher and Miss L F Robinson

9th October Half holiday for Governor's visit to Masterton

12th October Lawn ploughed with tractor

Fencing and repairs attended to. Ladders bought by School Committee

29th October. School Committee closed school for Carterton Show

4th November Holiday for Election day

1926

22nd March 5 larger desks received

23rd March Bee of committee dug up lawn

21st April School Committee held bee to form lawn.

22nd April Lawn disced.

27th April Man began laying out lawn- 4 day's proceeding.

3rd May Very severe weather

30th June H Coventry I took temporary charge of this school in the absence of the permanent teacher owing to sickness.

9th July Average 62 and roll number 67

16th July This school beat Lansdowne school at Football today in town by 16 to 3. For this purpose the boys are called for by 2 or 3 cars and are let out of school at 2.30

23rd July Much sickness prevails. This is the first Friday when as usual, a couple of cars has not been at the gate to take the school football team to the Memorial Park. Last Friday our school for the 2nd time beat Lansdowne, this time by 16 to 3. This was four wins in 8 matches.

30th July The attendance is still worse. The following chiefly are absent owing mostly it is reported, to influenza in a mild form. Tom Carroll Standard 6, John Rimene Standard 5, Minnie Carroll Standard 4, Margaret Brown said to have left, Vernon Roberts sickly, Hawea Governor Standard 2.

6th August The head teacher has had an extension of sick leave till after the spring term holiday, beginning 21st August.

20th August Second Term is finished in the essentials including Drawing There has not been time to fill in the term reports in detail

The attendance is much improved this week. Though the McKenzies are away throughout (This week) This day terminates the engagement of the writer. H Coventry

7th September A H Read took temporary charge today

9th September Received from the School Committee two hair brooms and a quantity of blotting paper.

17th September Owing to a heavy fall of snow the attendance today is below the average.

1928

21st April 1928 Ministers Visit

Staff 2

1927 Roll 57

Site 2 acres

There is no residence

4th September Felix E S Rockel Commenced duty today.

1912	28	Cross Creek	Rockel	Felix E S
1913	23	Kaitawa	Rockel	Felix G S
1914	17	Kaitawa	Rockel	Felix G S
1915	32	Reikiorangi	Rockel	Felix E S
1917	32	Reikiorangi	Rockel	Felix E S
1919	47	Kaiwaiwai	Rockel	Felix E S
1921	42	Kaiwaiwai	Rockel	Felix E S
1923	40	Kaiwaiwai	Rockel	Felix E S

Previous taught in Wanganui Board and started school teaching 1907 teaching at Pohonui (*Backblocks of Taihape*)

Miss Robinson assistant teacher

7th September. Plumber cleared drain in Boy's Lavatory.

9th September. Man cutting hedges, digging round trees and beginning new path

11th September Wrote Wellington Education Board re state of school windows and doors

24th September Mr Shelby fixing doors and windows of school.

No school this afternoon New South Wales V Wairarapa Football match

1st October Pupils taken to Wellington Exhibition.

Received from Wellington Education Board tin of paint and brush for Blackboard. Sent receipt

Circulars received Peace Pact, Native Boards and Trees Competitions and Kindness to animals

Mr Selby finished fixing windows and doors

2nd October Sent to Wellington Education Board requisition for Mariner's Compass.

Sent a report to Child Welfare Officer on the two pupils concerned at this school

Received from Masterton Central Library 1 box books for school.

12th October Received from Board Mariner's Compass- sent receipts

23rd October Holiday Yesterday- Labour Day

26th October. Holiday yesterday Carterton show

6th November Greater part of morning occupied (Standard 3 to 6) in attendance at funeral of late pupil

Wrote to Wellington Education Board that no subnormal children on roll

15th November. School closed yesterday General election

22nd November School closed yesterday while I took the eight candidates to Lansdowne for Proficiency exam

1929

7th February received from Wellington Education Board

250	Loose Drawing Sheets	
2	Packets	Drawing Sheets
1	Packet of 36	Drawing Books
20	Pairs	Modelling tools
3	Boxes	White Chalk
2	Boxes	Coloured Chalk
1	Dozen	Paint Brushes
2	Dozen Tubes	Prussian Blue Paint
2	Dozen tubes	Gamboge Paint
1	Dozen Tubes	Burnt Sienna paint
10	Scissors (for paper)	
6	Strawboards	
144	Sheets Cardboard	

8th February Wrote to Wellington Education Board and for advice in securing school requisites for indigent pupils

18th February Received from Wellington Education Board requisition for list of requisites and children of Indigent Parents concerned. Lists sent

Mr F C Brockett Agriculture supervisor inspected Mangold Plots for competition of Boys and Girls Agriculture Clubs.

19th February Sent to Dental Clinic list of pupils as requested.

28th February Sent list of boys who have left school to Defence Office

17th April Received from Railways Circular re holiday fares

15th April Received from Wairarapa Rugby Union one football

18th April Mr A N Burns and Watson, inspectors called.

31st May Took pupils to Masterton Art and Industrial Exhibition in afternoon

10th June Short Day of school as water supply given out during alteration in same.

11th June After a short mornings work it was necessary to close school as there is no water for the water system

17th June. Earthquake. Several cracks in concrete walls

5th July Plumber to fix pump, new electric, put new pipe down into well. Also plumber cleaned out septic tank.

23rd July received circular re light woodwork and 3 sets keys for tool boxes,

29th July In afternoon Conjuror (Indian) "Professor Asrath"

10th September Same Staff

17th September. School visited by Medical Officer, Dr Dougall.

11th November H T Absent last four days Influenza.

November 7th Mr Clement of Central School relieving

22nd November Papers sent from Wellington 4 candidates. School closed for others.

29th November Visit by Mr Whelan, Government Orchard Inspector, who gave an address on Fireblight.

9th December Received 10 window blinds per W F C A

1930

3rd February Same teachers Rockel and Robinson

10th February Sent requisition for Necessitous Cases

14th February Made Out lists requisites for boarded out (State) children

18th February Received parcel Necessitous cases from Whitcombe and Tombs. Finished gave out Requisites.

24th February Visit from Hon H Atmore, Minister of Education, Mr G Sykes, local M P and Mr T A Jordon Mayor of Masterton, Mr C Oliver, Chairman School Committee presided. The Hon Minister addressed the school. Chairman replied.

31st March Wrote to Wellington Education Board giving assent and roll numbers re manual training scheme in Masterton

26th May Sent in schedule of children claiming conveyance allowance.

6th June Visit from Mr Douglas

2nd July First time of attendance at Manual Training centre of Standard 5 boys. No girls today

8th July Received from Wellington Education Board 1 Brace, 4 Bits, 1 coping saw, 2 coping saw blades, 1 table and clamp, 7 squares, 3 ply wood

10th July. School closed- Death of Sir Joseph Ward

15th July 1930 MANGOLD GROWING

WAIRARAPA COMPETITIONS

(Special to "The Evening Post.")

MASTERTON, This Day. The committee controlling the Wairarapa Boys' and Girls' Agricultural Club visited four Masterton primary schools yesterday, to present the prizes and certificates won by competitors in the past season's mangold growing competition. The prizes won at the various schools were as follow:—

St. Patrick's: C. Talbot and J. O'Meara, 104 points, 1; M. Bacon and D. Minett, 99 points, 2; L. Ford and P. Hamill, 98% joints, 3.

Te Ore Ore.—J. Percy, 96 points, 1; J. McKenzie, 90 points, 2; Jack McKenzie and Colin Percy, 89 points, tie, 3. Fernridge.—Henry

Miller, 107% points, 1; Hugh Miller, 100 points, 2; May Mannell, 97% points, 3.

Solway.—D. Nelson, 91 points, 1; Chrystal Langford, 80% points, 2; Kenneth Henshaw, 78% points, 3.

The Wairarapa Championship was won this year by Pearl Oliver, of the Waihakeke **School**, her weight of crop being 87, tons 11 cwt (*hundredweight*) to the acre, and her total points 122%. The presentation of prizes in the South Wairarapa will take place at an early date.

19th August Despatched all woodwork tools to Rangitumau, Kaiwairai and Tauherenikau schools as required.

3rd September Returned to duty after an exact week of absence due to sickness

F E S Rockel Head Teacher

18th December. For two days my son Sydney Rockel, Training College Student took my place at school as I was not well

1931

24th January Sent in conveyance allowance claim. Note to incoming Head Teacher. This return is to be made out at end of every quarter for Raymond Stark and Helena Young. Forms in top of cupboard.

2nd February Opened school as relieving Head Teacher M E Atkinson.

Chairman of School Committee Mr Oliver, explained necessity of turning on electric pump for water into tanks.

Number present 45

27th February Boxes of library books returned to Central School. Manure and lupin seed in shed, this arrived during the holidays.

Books obtained for State Ward Children, Mr Daysh Bookseller, but not yet given out, waiting confirmation from Wellington Education Board

2nd March. Alice Fouhy took charge of school today.

3rd March Men ploughing football ground and clearing grounds generally

4th March Only two boys and three girls attended woodwork and Cookery classes today

5th March Books given to State Ward Children

19th March Light rain this morning, the garden badly in need of it.

8th April Football ground sown in grass on the 6th Girls unable to attend cooking classes because of transport Difficulty

13th April A stormy weekend: A window broken by wind in infant room. Window fastenings extremely unsatisfactory.

17th April Officer from Child Welfare Department visited school to see State Wards. Photographer took photograph of State Wards,

24th April received Letter from Wellington Education Board re Miss Robinson's retirement informing me the period had been extended to September 30th 1931. Two wreaths were sent by school children for graves of soldiers in Masterton

14th July Received two fibre mats for outer doorways from School Committee. A bicycle stand has been erected in the cycle shed too.

Called the attention of the Secretary of School Committee to the state of the asphalt playing area. The recent frosts have caused the surface to break up.

15th July. Received a new basketball (Netball) from the School Committee

27th July Many fresh cracks have appeared in the walls of the building- apparently the result of an earthquake on Friday 27th July The floor of the cloakroom is badly cracked and all the existing cracks have been enlarged Reported the matter to the Chairman and to the Wellington Education Board.

31st July Miss Robinson has been granted on months sick leave and ceased duty today.

3rd August Miss Pederson commenced duty today as relieving report

20th August 1931 Mrs LA Savage Infant M1stress

21st August. Miss Robinson was entertained by settlers at afternoon tea and received a gift from the children and a cheque from the parents

25th September Mr Fletcher Inspector of Schools Queensland visited the school today. (Since proved to be an imposter)

5th October School chimneys were swept on the 3rd October

1st October Mrs Savage commenced duty as assistant teacher today

6th October Yesterday the contractors completed work on the winter playing area which has been resurfaced.

29th October Observed Carterton Show as a holiday

1st December Ten Standard 6 children sitting proficiency exams today. School closed as a consequence

2nd December. General Election, School closed.

17th December 9 Children passed proficiency exam. Ruki Wereti, Cecelia West, Amy Blake, William Aylward, Rod Percy, Keith Percy, Roy Morriss, Roy Simpson, Alex McDonald.

1932

18th March Combined Schools Sports held in Park Oval today.

29th June Received letter from Wellington Education Board re attendance of Harold Waaka, Mamari Rimene, Maurice Potangaroa and Harold Waaka, Replied to letter. Children are not on Te Ore Ore roll

1933

1st February Roll 55

3rd February Excluded 3 Clayton children who were affected with infectious sores. They are having treatment

14th February Notified Mr Clayton that children should return to school unless a medical certificate be given to the contrary

17th February Second case of chicken pox reported today

24th February A Picnic and school sports was held in the school grounds today. Many parents and friends were present. In the evening a farewell was given to Mr and Mrs. W Percy.

Mr Percy has been Secretary of the School Committee for the last 6 years. He will be greatly missed, having always promoted the dances and functions in aid of school funds. It is with regret I record his resignation from the School Committee and departure from the district

26th May. School Committee sanctioned purchase for Basketball costumes for basketball team.

4th September. Received today a Proficiency Certificate for Stephen Oliver who was examined by Mr Partridge, School Inspector on 6th July

7th September An upper window and frame fell from the hinges today onto the path below. Fortunately the children were not on the path. Not one of the panes of glass were broken in the window which fell, but one was broken by the falling pane in the window beneath it. Have reported the matter to the Wellington Education Board and School Committee

20th October. Three boys sat proficiency at Lansdowne School today. Te Ore Ore school was closed for the day.

28th October Twelve children are absent today, owing to sickness, measles, whooping cough and influenza being prevalent

20th December School closed for summer vacation. Provision has been made for a man to care for the garden during the holidays.

1934

6th March A heavy earthquake occurred at 11.59 last night, Mr McGovern School Committee chairman advised me not to hold school till the shakes cease and things have settled down. I have decided as the day is fine to classes in the open air and sheds. The existing cracks in the school have widened and are a cause of concern to me and members of the School Committee have decided to ask Mr Donald (Wellington Education Board Member) to visit us and advise what to do.

14th March Mr Powell Board's architect visited the school today on a tour of inspection of earthquake damage.

30th March Members of the Board and the Board architect visited the school. It has been decided that the North wall is a ferro concrete wall And though cracked is not unsafe

6th April North Wairarapa Primary Schools Sports were held today in Central park. Te Ore Ore retained the country schools Cup which we won in 1933. The school scored 63 points

25th April An Anzac service was held in the schoolroom at 9.30 am today. The Rev Mr Cocker addressed the children, giving them an inspiring little talk very suitable for the occasion.

Only 3 adults were present and about 20 children Wreathes and Flowers were sent for the memorial and soldiers graves,

30th April Householders meeting. William McGovern, Chairman. Mr Candy Secretary, Mr S Cooper, Mr McDonald, Mr Smith

1st May The School Committee have approved the purchase of six football jerseys for the School Football Team and a basketball for the girls, Transport arrangements have been made for the teams during the winter months

3rd May Regret to hear that the services of the man who has been employed scheme has been dispensed with

13th July Reported broken pan in boy's office to Wellington Education Board

23rd July. A relief worker. Mr T Parone, commenced duty in the grounds today. He is to work 14 hours per week.

19th September The large pine tree by the bicycle shed which was a beautiful tree, was lying across the path when I came to school this morning. I found later that permission had been given by the chairman of the School Committee for the tree to be trimmed. Consequently the next door neighbour took it upon himself to cut off half the tree which is now spoiled. This is the second tree that has been cut down without my knowledge, and whether the teacher is in anyway responsible.

1st October A hurricane of great intensity swept over the district today, doing much damage. Many of the pupils had terrifying experiences on their way to the school and many were absent. Several tiles were blown from the school roof, but otherwise we escaped, missing the worst part of the hurricane

17th December A Xmas tree was provided for the children this evening every child receiving a present. Proficiency Certificates were presented

1935

11th February Have decided to close school at 12.30 during the heat wave

12th February Roll is now 68. Mrs Savage has 39 in the Junior Division

18th February School resumed at usual hours this week

22nd March Combined School Sports were held at Masterton Park today. St Patrick's won the country schools cup from Te Ore Ore. St Patricks 86 points Te Ore Ore 72 ½ points

28th March Mr Donald, Colonel McDonald Board Members visited school today. We discussed seating accommodation and Mr Donald agreed with me that owing to special circumstances, single desks would be preferable in this school. He promised to bring the matter up at the next meeting. The Board has long since supplied the paint for the walls of the classroom. The members and Mr Powell suggested that the School Committee be asked to paint the walls.

27th May Resumed school today. Notified by Board that Mrs Savage had been appointed to Te Horo and that Miss C Connor would be

acting as R R Assistant for the ensuing term. Miss Connor reported for duty today.

10th June Whooping Cough and Influenza are very prevalent

19th August The attendance has been very poor all this term owing to rain and prevailing epidemic of whooping cough.

23rd August Miss Connor terminated her services as Relieving Assistant

19th December School closed The following got proficiency Certificates. Ken Percy, Dorothy Griffin, Elsie Smith

1936

Nothing to record (*Only log entry for 1936*)

19 Feb 1936 STORM DAMAGE

SCHOOL BUILDINGS

COST OF REPAIRS /

The cyclonic storm that swept the North Island on February 2 included many of the schools in the Wellington Education Board's district in the damage it caused, stated a report presented to the board today showing that approximately £500 will be required to restore buildings and fences to their former condition, and to remove fallen trees. The greatest damage was done at Muhunoa East, where it is estimated that £167 14s will be required for repairs Shannon, where the boys' shelter was totally destroyed and other damage done, £63 15s will have to be spent; at Ohau fallen trees, damage to conveniences, the incinerator, and fences amounted to £50; at Tokomaru £15 10s will be required; at Opiki, where the shelter shed, bicycle stalls, and school roof suffered, £25 will have to be spent; £10 15s is required at Levin; £13 10s at Otaki; at Manakau, where the

teacher's fuel shed, windows, bicycle stalls, and the school roof all suffered, £51 7s is required; at Muhunoa East, where the teachers washhouse, conveniences, and fuel shed were destroyed, the paper on the ceiling of the residence damaged, and the fence damaged by trees, £97 14s will be required, as well as £70 for repairs to the **school** roof, windows, end wall, conveniences, and temporary repairs; at Mangahao, Pahiatua, and Te Ore Ore sums of £25 will be required; at Martinborough, where roofs were damaged, £15 will have to be spent; removing fallen trees at Kohinui will cost £10; and the following sums will be required at Wainuiomata, £6 10s; Kaiwarra, £3; Ngaio, £1 10s; and Rongokokako, £6 10s; making a total of £490 Is. In addition to the above estimates of damage it was stated that the Tinui residence had been flooded, and that there would be funds required for the Clyde Quay School, the Hamua School, and the Waihaonga School. It was agreed that the estimate of the damage already reported on should be sent to the Education Department to be treated as an urgent matter requiring a grant.

1937

22nd February Teacher reported for duty but school not open yet

1st March School resumed today having been closed on account of infantile paralysis epidemic Roll number 68

31st March School resumed after Easter. Attendance Poor

19th April School closed owing to spread of paralysis epidemic Only one actual case in Masterton district but severe cases in hospital from Greytown area.

24th May School reopened again for 2nd term Weather very mild.

The small new lawn recently laid down in front of girl's shed is coming on well. It should be a welcome addition to the girl's side, offering a nice space for a playing area.

The hedges require cutting. The lawn and gardens have suffered during the long period when the school was closed. It will take a great deal of work to get them in good condition again.

A new front gate has been erected The front of the bicycle shed repaired, the wood shed window boarded up and the c1sterns in both eh boys and girls lavatories overhauled. The pump too has minor repairs effected.

16th July School closed for one week to allow teachers to attend the N Z E I conference which is being held in Wellington

26th July School resumed. Weather very severe. Attendance poor. Heavy snow fell overnight.

30th November School closed in afternoon. Teacher attending Art Lecture

1938

1st February Roll 69

11th July Had to close in afternoon because there was no water, the pump giving trouble again. It has been a constant source of trouble all year

19th August Miss Peterson received notice today that she had been appointed to Lansdowne School and would proceed there when school reopened.

30 August 1938 Miss D C Peterson Lansdowne from Te Ore Ore PP

6th September Mrs Payne reported for duty today as relieving assistant. Roll 65. Measles are still epidemic every day this week being an excepted one.

16th September Admitted 6 children this week roll number 71. The Board was duly notified as required.

20th September Mr Fisher and Post Office official visited the school today and initiated the children into the system of Post Office Savings Bank School Savings

18th May 1939

BOY'S DEATH

VERDICT AT INQUEST

(Special to the "Evening Post.") MASTERTON, This Day

A verdict of accidental death was returned by the District Coroner (Mr. E. G. Eton) at an inquest held yesterday concerning the death of a six-year-old cyclist, Ian Hopkirk, of Te Ore Ore, who was fatally injured at Te Ore Ore on May 5 in a collision with a motor truck. It was stated that the victim was riding to school on his bicycle and appeared to have momentarily lost control of it and collided with a passing truck. According to the evidence, the truck was not travelling at more than 25 to 30 miles an hour when the accident happened. PP

The School Committee has purchased an electric cleaner for the school and it has been used for the first time this week. It is to be hoped it nay solve the dust problem in the school and help towards maintaining a more hygienic state in the school. I am convinced that school hygiene is a problem which has not been solved, scarcely has it been considered as far as Primary Schools are concerned.

1939

1st February Roll 65 Miss Bliss commenced today. Roll 65

Two families left to attend the new Lansdowne School a loss of 3 pupils

10th February Annual picnic was held in school grounds today A good attendance of parents and scholars. Every child receiving a prize.

17th February Classes in First Aid and Home Nursing are taken every Thursday with Standard 4,5 & 6. Two officers of the St John Ambulance attending to conduct the classes.

A sewing machine (hand) presented by Miss Mansell for use of the senior Maori girls has been repaired and instruction in its use has now commenced.

Correspondence has been received from the Wellington Education Board stating that children of Te Ore Ore school district are not permitted to use the school bus to Lansdowne School

30th March. Miss Bliss terminated her service today. Miss McLeod to relieve Then a note this should be in 1940. Mrs Fouhy was writing her log up in sections from Memory or a diary.

28th July Very heavy fall of snow being 7 inches deep in the school grounds. Made application to Wellington Education Board to continue ambulance classes.

4th September Miss P Broughton assumed duties of cleaner from September 11th

9th October Miss Bliss and I painted the tops of the desks last weekend. I hope this will be effective in maintaining a clean surface. Commenced tennis this week

123th October Received notice that the School Committee has given permission for the Methodist Sunday School is to be held in the schoolroom on Sundays at 2 pm. Owing to the loss of the Te Ore Ore meeting house which was destroyed by fire on Friday 22nd September This was a great loss as it was the most important meeting house in the Wairarapa- having many valuable examples of Maori carving and decoration in its construction.

1940

27th March The Prime Minister The Honourable M J Savage died today.

29th March School closed till Prime Ministers funeral. Miss Bliss left today.

3rd September Miss H Tankersley commenced as assistant mistress

16th October 1940 Mrs G McRae Grading 92 24 Years' service. Present School Sole Teacher Mauriceville West School

20th December Terminates my service with Wellington Education Board and is the conclusion of my appointment as Head Teacher at Te Ore Ore School.

3rd October YOUNG NAVY LEAGUERS

The public school at Te Ore Ore, near Masterton, with a roll of 66 children, has enrolled all the pupils in the Navy League, and will therefore be presented with a Union Jack towards the end of November at the same time as the Fernridge School. The Te Ore Ore School has a large number of Maori children on its roll, and they are just as keen to become members of the Navy League as their pakeha schoolmates.

1941

16th January 1941 Mrs A Fouhy still at school

3rd February Mrs G McCrae commenced duties at Te Ore Ore School
61 Children on roll.

27th February Doctor and Nurse visited the school and examined the children

18th March Miss Taylor spent the whole day at school and demonstrated the new drill- her work was most instructive and a very pleasant and profitable day.

4th April Mr Irwin and Mr Johnstone visited the school which had not be cleaned the previous on the previous evening Miss Peggy Kawana not able to come I was rather pleased as the cleaning has been most unsatisfactory this year and the condition of the school gave the school a bad name

11th April School has been cleaned by senior girls and looks much brighter and cleaner. Hope to arrange for this this method of cleaning to be permanent

24th April Anzac Service held around flag. Children gave a choral speak and suitable songs Rev McNair addressed children and parents

25th April School closed for Anzac Day

8th May At School Committee meeting the members commented upon the cleanliness of the school

22nd August attendance during the term has been very poor owing to mumps, sores, colds etc. The weather has been exceptionally wet dn cold during the most of the term

9th September Man from Daniell's repaired all broken windows- great improvement

25th September Governor General visited Masterton The children paraded in the Park. Te Ore Ore Maoris gave a song and haka of welcome in costume. The Governor was very interested in the children and appreciated their effort. After the parade the Governor gave all the children a holiday for the rest of the day and all the following holiday.

21st October 1941 Mrs McCrae closing school for Carterton Show

24th October Mr Irwin and Mr Dyer visited the school re maintenance- Both visitors congratulated pupils on appearance of grounds

30th October Carterton Show. Douglas and Murray Yule were successful in the riding and pony classes.

31st October A bitterly cold wet day attendance 28/69

4th November Children from classes Standard 1 to Form 2 attended the picture One Hundred Crowded Years. Good picture on NZ h1story but the children questioned the Maori War Drum and Trumpet.

7th November The A A patrol man visited the school and gave a most graphic talk- illustrated by Lantern Pictures on rules of "safety first" Children took a keen interest and appreciated talk as shown by compositions written later on the subject

17th November. Children been paying half yearly visit to Dental Clinic. Nurse commented on the good state of majority of Standard 5's pupils teeth.

28th November Mr Irwin and Mr Johnson visited on annual inspection. They stayed from 9 am to 11.a m Mr Irwin suggested some singing should be taken. He commented on the cleanliness of the children and their surroundings!

16th December. The children had a party at school at 2.30 pm and shared the Christmas cake which had been mixed the previous week. The cake was decorated by Mrs McDonald to represent the Union Jack. The children all had a nice piece and thoroughly enjoyed their drink of cordial.

17th December. A break up concert was held in the evening. There was a fair attendance of parents. In all the children gave 34 items-work during the year. All the items seemed greatly enjoyed.

18th December. The children were entertained to games and afternoon tea by the members of the local Women's Institute. Needless to say they thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

1942

3rd February. Children spent afternoon collecting Ergot in the playground. (The fruiting bodies of the ergot fungus, used as a source of certain medicinal alkaloids, especially for inducing uterine contractions or controlling post-partum bleeding. This was gathered by children as part of the war effort)

6th February. Mr Mason plumber put in a footbath.

9th February. Infant room chimney swept to clear birds' nests. Mr Brockett visited the school. Discussed position for new experimental plots and best thing to do with old plots. He agreed that they should be used as rose beds.

10th March 1942. Advising Mrs McRae that if roll is over 84 average then will get a grade B2 assistant.

28th March. Mrs McRae was absent from duty owing to being in bed suffering from bad attack of gastric influenza.

24th March. Mrs McRae returned to duty- far from well.

Suspended Charlie Clayton from school owing to general bad conduct which reached the climax on March 23rd. [~~I feel it would be unjust for the Navy to foist a boy with so little sense of honour and a general decency upon it~~] I have asked his father to come to school to discuss this matter.

8th April. Roll number dropped to 77.

17th April. I reported the fact that I had suspended Charlie Clayton to the Wellington Education Board, as I had nothing from his parents and so nothing had been done to decide what should be done about Charlie. I had hoped to talk to his father and to advise that he should find work for him as he is simply wasting his time at school and I could on no account give his necessary testimonial for entering the navy.

21st April. I reported the action I had taken re Charles Clayton to the School Committee at the meeting held Monday 20th April. All members present heartily supported what I had done.

24th April. Anzac Day at 2pm. Reverend McNeur addressed the children. He spoke of the life and work of St George and likened the Axis Powers to the Dragon and called the Anzacs and Today's Allied soldiers to St George. He also referred to the cross of St George on our flag. The children were most interested and followed the remarks with close attention. The following was the programme:

1. God Defend NZ
2. Declaration we gave thanks etc. D Yule
3. Talk by Mr McNeur
4. School Recitation "Farewell to Anzac"
5. Flag broken D Haeta
6. Silence
7. Recitation- School "Flag of England"

8. Pat Carroll "The Flag Stands For"
9. School Anzac Day Song
10. School "Children's Songs" 4 verses
11. God Save the King

25th May School resumed. A howling sou'west gale raging with result attendance was very poor.

During the holiday the desks had been repaired in senior room and those in Junior Room were scraped and revarnished

6th May An inquiry was held re suspension of Charles Clayton who was given another chance to make good and given permission to attend Lansdowne School. Since Clayton has been away from school there is a decidedly different atmosphere in the room and school and the children are keen to work and appear much happier and freer as they are no longer under the continual fear of being bullied for anything they do or say. The inquiry was an unpleasant experience but was worth it for the happier atmosphere that now exists everywhere inside and out.

24th June. At 11.20 pm a very severe earthquake caused much damage to the Te Ore Ore School, drainage and water supply.

25th June- 7th July The Te Ore Ore School closed pending report on the building by the Public Works Authorities. All arrangements have been made to commence the lessons by correspondence methods when I received word that the Masterton West side school in Victoria Street was available for the Te Ore Ore School Children. Arrangements also been made to convey the children by bus from School to School

6th July The day was spent in conveying the Te Ore Ore School furniture to Victoria Street School.

6th July 1942 Telegram Commencing work by correspondence method
McRae Te Ore Ore

Letter to board Children have to be conveyed to Victoria Street School
20 minutes per day will be lost. Asks Education Board to have a shortened lunch hour

7th July School opened attendance poor. All children with bicycles present and a few of the nearer children walked

10th July Still no word of the bus commencing running
July Bus began running.

27th July – 31st Attendance very poor influenza, colds, bitterly cold wet weather with snow and rain.

1st August 2 More earthquakes- good ones. The one at midnight being almost as bad as the one on June 24th

7th August Miss Sewell attended and demonstrated physical exercises.

21st August. Work for the term has been most disappointing owing to the break caused by earthquake. Naturally the work is behind in the amount covered.

16th – 20th August Half yearly survey of work taken. Results in most cases most satisfactory- number work shows considerable improvement.

8th October Walter McDonald fell off fence and broke his arm at 8.15 a.m. Fence and Tree climbing strictly forbidden

12th October 1942 Unable to use Te Ore Ore School because of earthquake damage

30th October. Bus in garage with broken back spring

18th November Dan Haeata died in hospital. A sad loss as he was a very fine lad.

1st December During the dinner hour Walter McDonald and Sonny Rimene collided when running after a ball. Sonny fell on Walter's leg and cracked the inside bone of the lower leg. Walter removed to hospital after Dr Rich had examined him in the playground.

2nd December 1942 School is badly cracked I would approximately put the damage at £1000 though it is not the worst of schools

3rd December Children began swimming in Borough Council Baths in the Park

15th December The Te Ore Ore women's institute entertained the children at the Meeting House during the afternoon

The children thoroughly enjoyed the games and the plentiful afternoon tea and drinks provided. At the end of the afternoon Pat Carroll thanked the ladies and called for three cheers for the Women's Institute.

16th December Standard 4 and 6 pupils sat for Junior Red Cross exam doing 4 written questions in the morning and practical and oral work in the afternoon. Mrs Stewart acted as examiner.

1943

25th January 1943 Mrs E Thompson a supernumerary assistant appointed

26th January 1943 Tenders called for strengthening

1st February School resumed, still in Victoria Street building.

Mrs E Thompson reported for duty s supernumerary

11th February Masterton show to be held at Carterton.. School closed

25th February 1944. Te Ore Ore to hold a picnic sports meeting

28th February The afternoons of February have been devoted to learning Maori Action songs, long poi swinging, canoe poi, hakas,

Maori games (humi) and Maori stick game in preparation for Physical Education display in the Park\

(2) Swimming and Life Saving

2nd March Senior children joined in the Parent's Afternoon at West School

3rd March Parents' afternoon held in conjunction with Victoria Street Side School in the side schools Victoria Street grounds

4th March Physical Ed display in the Park- beautiful weather and a splendid display. The children of Te Ore Ore were keenly interested in the activities of other schools

8th March In the afternoon pupils of Standard 4-6 attended the combined schools swimming sports. Te Ore Ore scored two seconds.

9th March Letter to Wellington Education Board from NZEI Wairarapa complaining about delay in work and could the children be educated in their own district

There is the question of use of petrol and tyres which we are being told is of national importance

17th March The children swam for their distance certificates

19th March A class from Masterton West in charge of Mrs Haywood visited the school from 2 to 3 pm and the Te Ore Ore children taught them stick games.

24th March Three teams of 4 pupils each were examined for life saving awards with the following results

Tom Haeata gained second class instructors certificate. With the following squad. Nancy Curry (Intermediate) Sera Haeata (Intermediate) Margaret Haeata (Intermediate) Margaret Finlay (Intermediate)

Gloria Haeata also gained Second Class Instructor's certificate.
Squad Eileen Albert, Rita Finlay, Pakira Haeata (All Intermediate)
Tom Haeata (1st bar for bronze med)

Continued in log

26th March In the afternoon pupils of the Standard 3-6 went to
Whatman School and demonstrated stick games and canoe poi.

Then a very pleasant time was spent in playing long ball.

12th May 1943 Will a hot point be put in the senior room for use with
the radio

19th May 1943. That Masterton West children use the hall until the TE
ORE ORE repairs are done *(Victoria Street housed a side school of
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11th May 1943 Letter from G M McRae Te Ore Ore School will be closed
to enable the furniture etc. to be removed to Te Ore Ore *(Date order as
filed)*

24th May Work resumed Roll Number 80

2nd July School closed as furniture etc. was to be removed to Te Ore
Ore. The lorry and two men arrived at 9 a m when loading began.
The last load arrived at Te Ore Ore at 1.45 p .m. Miss Tankersley
and I worked till 3.45 p m, When I left owing to having an
appointment in Masterton. The bus was delivered at Fagan's garage.

5th July As the grounds had been left most untidy (wood, tin, lead,
glass nails, sand and gravel were scattered over the grounds most

untidily) I took advantage of the fine day and had the children tidying
up generally. In the afternoon the girls started on the flower gardens.
The School Committee now regrets advantage was not taken of my
suggestions to have lawn cut with the hay mower before the men
started repair work.

The children were all very pleased to resume school in their own
building and all commented on how nice it looked- so fresh and clean

6th July The children of Standard 3 to Standard 6 went into Masterton
at 9.45 am to see General Freyberg returning by 11.40 a m.

In the afternoon Mr Stubbs and Mr O'Connor visited the school. Both
were very pleased with the appearance of the new building and
impressed upon the children the need for looking after their own
property.

10th September Prime Minister's holiday to mark Fall of Italy

1st October Gloria Haeata, Rua Karaitiana, Courie Rimene went to
Ruatoria to the investiture at Ngarimu's V C. Trip arranged by
Government. The child had an interesting time but bad weather
arrangements

Singer sewing machine arrived.

14th October The wireless set arrived- second hand machine bought
by the children from accumulated cleaning money

30th November Calf and Lamb judging competition held at school 5
calves 8 lambs were exhibited.

24th November Swimming was begun The children going down to the
river which is much safer this year and in place chosen for swimming
open and shallow.

1st December Annual survey of years' work started. Several children
still away at the shearing sheds unfortunately

The vacuum cleaner which fused about the middle of November has a burnt motor and may have to wait until end of war to be repaired-report from Power Board.

17th December Girls of Form 1 arranged a concert programme and invited whole school to attend, The programme manner of presenting etc reflected great credit upon the girls

At the conclusion the school Xmas cake donated by the children was cut each child having a piece and a drink of cordial.

The party then broke up seasonal greetings being exchanged between pupils and staff

1944

1st February Children look much better for their long holiday.

7th February two new chairs arrived for the teachers' room

16th February School closed for Wairarapa P and A show. Solway showgrounds not yet available for shows.

3rd March Mr Stubbs and Mr O'Conner visited the school. Mr Stubbs going to Miss Tankersley's room. We sold 3/6 worth of carrots to the inspectors. Money to go to purchasing timber etc. To build the easel for drawing.

10th March School Athletic Sports held in Masterton

The junior team gained a first and second place in goal throw, but were not placed in spry ball owing to sheer bad luck. The marching team tied third with Central School

14th April New blackboard arrived also 3rd delivery of apples. Huge delicious, previous cases contained Cox's Orange

12th April Top window in senior room broke. The hinge broke and windows fell coming to rest on sash below. No one was near or opening window when it broke, I watched it happen

15th April Received 6 sets of toys from central School- for infant room

18th April Wheel of wheelbarrow gave way. The barrow has not been roughly treated. Considering the weak structure of the wheel it is a wonder it has not given way a long time ago.

21st April A committee of children (Selected by children) presented a concert in aid of Navy League subscriptions. Takings amounted to £1-14-0 and the items were greatly enjoyed by the parents present.

24th April Anzac day service held in front of Flag staff. Father Moore was the speaker and spoke on participation and service not only for country but in the home, school, etc.

22nd May School resumed. New School Committee forgot to have school scrubbed during the holidays

13th June 1944 Mrs McRae wants to employ an elocution teacher at her own expense, Mrs E Thomas Elocution teacher of Masterton School Committee approval received

Board regret that they can't agree

19th June Nurse Craig began her talks to children on hygiene

4th September Roll 71

16th October Mr Maloney visited school and gave children a most interesting and instructive talk on potatoes, blight etc.

13th December Christmas party held in the afternoon. The children cut and enjoyed the Christmas cake they had mixed two weeks ago and which Mrs Tankersley very kindly baked. Afterwards Standard 5 entertained the Form 2 boys and girls to afternoon tea prepared and

served in the senior classroom. Form 1 proved themselves good hosts and hostesses.

14th December . Form 1 put on a concert lasting 1½ hours without encores!

1945

5th February Roll 66. Only 2 new entrants other to come 1 Broken arm. 1 cut foot. 1 ill.

23rd March. School picnic held in grounds. There was a fair attendance of parents.

26th March 1945 School picnic to be held

4th April School closed on account of fall of Germans in Italy.

23rd May First parcel of books received from Country Library Service.

28th May Apples finished for the season

15th August News of Japan's surrender came through at 11 am

The children were dismissed at 12.30 pm after listening to speeches over the wireless

16th August School closed VJ Day celebrations. (Pouring with rain)

5th September In the afternoon the Maori children attended a welcome home at the meeting house

17th September An epidemic of dysentery among the children Attendance poor

8th October Children are recovering but are looking pale and pinched.

26th October Carterton Show Children's entries successful 2 first prizes in sewing section only 2 entries from this school.

In 8 entries of writing Reg Elers first in Form 2 Peggy Carroll 3rd Form 1. Victor Carroll 2nd in standard 2

20th December School closed for evening

- a) Father Christmas gave every child a present
- b) The tree came as a great surprise for the children from whom it had been kept a secret.
- c) The evening was passed in folk dances by seniors and juniors
- d) The School Committee supplied ice creams and soft drink
- e) The majority of children were in fancy dress and looked very well as they marched around.

1946

4th February Roll 64

20th February 1946 Mr G F Bee appointed 17 years teaching. Sole charge Hawkes Bay Board

J A Kennedy acting Head Teacher

22nd February School closed to enable teachers to attend the AGM of N Z E I.

14th March Mr Philips Wellington Education Board overseer visited school. State of tennis court (supposed to have been repaired when the school was restored after the quake.) The School Committee has been reporting the matter to the Board continuously for the last three years. To the state of the rough boards in the girls shelter shed and bicycle sheds Broken catches on windows, fence posts and broken desks

30th March During the picnic a presentation from the School Committee and parents and another were made from the pupils to Mrs McRae

1st April Mr J A Kennedy took up duty as acting Head (Until arrival of new head teacher) in the afternoon.

24th April Anzac Services held at school at 2 pm 26 visitors (mostly parents) attended in cool but fine weather. Major R A C Shelby gave a splendid address and message to the pupils

2nd May The school visited Gladstone to play basketball (*Netball 9 aside*) football (*rugby*) we left on lorries supplied by School Committee This was the first rugby match for Te Ore Ore School for about 12 years. Gladstone won the seniors, Te Ore Ore the Juniors and the Basketball and Gladstone won the relays.

10th May J A Kennedy finished work as a relieving teacher

27th April G F Bee took up duties as head teacher today

Received from Wellington Education Board 1 cupboard, 4 rakes, 2 drag hoes, 3 torpedo hoes and 6 trowels.

19th June The school medical officer and nurse visited the school today and examined all children.

19th July Gladstone School visited this afternoon Teams from each school participated in football, basketball, relays and Physical Education Games.

24th July On instructions received through the School Committee school closed at 12.00 in order that children could see the Kiwi Football team in action (*This was a team of returned soldiers from the second world war*)

23rd August Attendance during the term has been poor owing to much sickness in the district

9th September Roll 76. During the holidays much needed repairs have been done to the drains from the footpath and the wash basins.

13th September An area between the tennis courts has been dug up and planted in potatoes by the School Committee and the Form 2 boys. This area will later be put in lawn

17th September 1946 Mr Bee to appear before the Soldier Teacher's Grading Adjustment Board. School to be closed

Reply Leaver granted Cannot approve closing of school Set work Arrange Miss Tankersley to supervise

3rd October Today on the occasion of the visit of the Governor General the whole school was taken to Wairarapa College for the schools' ceremony Messrs Finlay and Oliver supplying transport. We left school at 11 am returning 1.15 p m. And school closed for the day

4th October School closed for holiday granted by the Governor General.

11th November The school was visited by Major-General Hart and Major Hibbs on behalf of the Rotary Club and at a very pleasant ceremony the school was presented with a framed photograph of winners of the Victoria Cross.

14th November 8 Calves and 9 lambs were presented for calf and lamb rearing day.

Two silver rose bowls for annual competition were purchased by the School Committee and are to retained at the school and miniatures presented to the winners. One bowl is for the champion calf and one for the champion lamb

27th November The school was closed today for the General Election.

19th December. An enjoyable time was spent in the evening at a fancy dress ball held in the school Father Christmas was a great success and distributed toys all round. Soft drinks, Ice cream and presents were supplied by the School Committee.

1947

31st January 1947 Mr C H Meads Head Teacher Grading 52 22 years service Secondary Assistant Te Awamutu D H S then Mr Meads not available

Mr H E McConchie 22 years service Head Teacher Nelson District Graded 63

Mr McConchie declined because he can't get any accommodation in Masterton

School to be re-advertised as it is 3 months since advertising of position

Mr W A Brown 37 years' service Grading 59 Upper Moutere School

Mr Brown withdrawn Mr Elder next applicant trying to get accommodation before accepting

Estimated Roll of Proposed Intermediate School (Masterton) February 1947

School	Total Roll	Form 1 and 2	Distance from Central (Miles)
Central	597	142	
West	306	70	1.
Lansdowne	232	61	1.3
Whatman	95	16	2.2
Fernridge	35	6	3.7
Solway	86	15	2.3

Te Ore Ore	67	15	2.3
Opaki	26		5.4

3rd February. School reopened roll of 65

29th March School closed for two days in order that the teachers might attend the art refresher course at Lansdowne School. The new art scheme took a new meaning to the teachers attending the course

28th April 1947 Application to use Te Ore Ore school for Miniature Rifle club was approved subject to

- a) Conducted by School Committee
- b) Proceeds for School Funds
- c) That School Committee complies with the law
- d) Takes strict precautions against accidents

1st May 2nd May School closed by direction of the Board to School Committee owing to complete breakdown of water supply The water supply has given trouble over the last ten days and ceased on 29th April On investigation it was found that the well was dry.

5th May. A new bore has been driven but the pipe silted up and no water is available. The school remains closed.

6th May. School visited by inspectors. School still closed. Miss Tankersley and I have spent the time in a complete check of materials and attention to records and materials.

9th May School has not reopened.

This is my last day at Te Ore Ore as I have been transferred to Nireaha

21st May 1947 Mr C Nolan 20 Years' service Head Teacher Auckland District

26th May. New Teacher C Nolan ?

28th May Local Body Elections,. School used as a polling booth
 18th July School visited by an officer of the transport Department who spoke to the children on road conduct and accident prevention
 The School Committee has purchased a clock for the senior room.
 24th October The lawns are looking very attractive at this season. The laurel hedge has been cut and the children having the lawns and gardens in good order.
 24th October. The following plots have been planted.

- a) Main crop of potatoes
- b) Supplementary crop of potatoes area to be used in 1948 for nursery area.
- c) Pinus Radiata and Cypress Lawsoniana in prepared beds

3rd November Four double desks delivered over the weekend. There is no record of them being requisitioned
 6th November As from 1st February this school has been downgraded to 3b and I have received formal notice of transfer.
 19th November School closed for local body elections.
 1st December School closed today for summer with all schools in North Island Miss Tankersley and I reported for duty (*Infantile paralysis*)

1948

29th January 1948 Mr F E S Rockel acting head teacher
 2nd February F E S Rockel Acting Head Teacher Miss Tankersley and I on staff.
 9th February Received 30 books from National Library service. Returned as many books as could be got in the box. Others to be returned later

10th February Received 10 books from Wellington Education Board for library
 11th February Received 2 footballs and linings from (unknown, parcel picked-up at Lansdowne School)
 18th February Ever since opening date the water supply of the school has been practically non existent. Many times a plumber has been out to attend the pump, but with no lasting success. The matter has continuously put before the School Committee, but so far nothing has been achieved.
 20th February This morning for the first time on arrival at school, I found the pump for water supply apparently in working order.
 1st March Reopened school with fair attendance of pupils in both rooms after closure for infantile paralysis epidemic
 18th March 1948 Mr C N O'Kane 11 years' service Sole Teacher Waione Grading 151
 23rd March Vi1st by Miss Steptoe Drill on Physical Instructor
 25th March 1948 That a residence be looked into. Department sent forms. Web replied forms have been out of use for years but Wellington Education Board would use them if required
 28th April No Milk today
 24th May C N O'Kane took up duties as Head teacher today
 24th May Relieving assistant Miss M Schouler Vice Tankersley
 3rd June Mr Phillips called and arranged for disposal of empty tar drums and funnel
 16th June 1948 Miss Y I Saunders 3 1/2 years teaching Present Relieving appointed
 17th June Roll 60
 28th June Milk today for the first time this term

Water supply not working today

5th July Drive from back gate sanded and front gate entrance metalled- a great improvement in this wet weather

7th July Mr Hood Traffic Inspector from Wellington called today and spoke to the children on road safety. He also showed two very good safety films

12th July Pump out of order again- no water (Repaired 13/7)

19th July Long wanted incinerator ready

6th September Miss Saunders reported for duty. Roll 58

14th September District Nurse called today

24th September Received two new looms from the Wellington

Education Board (*For weaving, all schools had weaving as part of the curriculum*)

8th October One boy withdrawn to Central Special Class, Roll Now 55

26th October Roll now 57

10th November Miss Saunders Assistant entered hospital yesterday. Have communicated with Board regarding relieving assistant

10th November Mrs Lyttle arrived this afternoon and commenced duties as relieving assistant

12th November Received 8 ounces mercury for school barometer.

15th November More trouble with pump for water supply. This is the third time in the last fortnight that it has been necessary to have the plumber in.

17th December Mrs Lyttle terminates relieving engagement

1949

1st February Roll 53

8th February Plumbers commenced installation of new pump for water supply

9th February Electricians altered wiring for new pump.

22nd February Pump still causing trouble no water today. I shall ring Mr Nicol if no water tomorrow.

23rd February Water again at 12,30 p m Mr Nicol had given me advice to close school if no water by 1 pm

9th March School closed Used as a polling booth for the Gaming and Licensing polls

20th April Received two Swedish forms for Physical Education.

29th April Received 1 rugby ball from Wairarapa Union

Received 15 lb blue lupin seed to be planted as cover crop in school garden

4th May A very rough and untidy area in the North West corner of the school grounds was dug up with a rotary hoe with most pleasing results. This afternoon 15 lbs of blue lupin seeds was planted as a winter crop.

Individual plots will be gardened here next year.

31st May. Two School Committee members (N Larsen C Percy) marked out court for basketball (Netball)

10th June Several cases of measles in the District- infected children and contacts excluded from school as per schedule.

12th July Miss Lowry Infant Teaching advisor, spent the day in Mrs Saunders Room. Received supply of wool for weaving from Wellington Education Board

3rd August. School closed Used as polling booth for referendum (Conscription)

26th September Mr Halett from Begg's gave a demonstration this evening, to committee members and parents of the Ampro Sound

Film Projector. The School Committee wish to raise funds to purchase one for school but the response from parents tonight was very disappointing, there being only about 8 present

7th October The school sewing machine was given a long overdue overhaul today.

10th October Received a grant of £2.00 for the purchase of sports equipment

30th November School closed. Used as a polling booth for the general elections

1950

3rd February Roll 49

14th February School closed Teachers discussion group with Mr G H Stubbs (Inspector) held at Knox Sunday School

23rd February Sound projector arrived. This should prove of great benefit for work in Social Studies.

6th March Pupils from Standard 3 to 6 swam for certificates today with very Good Results. 6 Merit, 2 proficiency, 2 leaners, 11 beginners. Only 1 non swimmer from Standard 3 to Form 2

21st March 1951 Miss E C Bourke Relieving in Hawkes Bay 3 years' service

13th April Nurse Wilson visited school- several cases of chicken pox among children.

19th April Miss Saunders still in Junior Room

24th April 30 poppies sold by children in connection with Anzac Day. Talk and discussion on the meaning of this occasion, taken in each room

25th April School closed Anzac day.

4th April Mr Wigston attendance officer visited the school today. Nurse Wilson examined the children today,

9th June Received pictures and sentence charts for Janet and John series

14th July Received from Wellington Education Board 8 copies each of Janet and John reading books – Parts 1,2,3,4 and one teachers manual

28th September Received from Wellington Education Board 1 copy each of Mihi, Flower Fairies, Wing Commander Red Bill DFC

17th October. Received permission from Home and School Association to purchase equipment for first aid kit and some sports gear for boys and girls

20th October Received Janet and John books 5 and 6

25th October United Nation's Day –Occasion honoured by special talk in school.

9th November Annual Calf and Lamb Day

Mr Arcus from Wellington Education Board came today and discussed removal of surplus desks, blackboards, linoleum

8th December Individual garden plots judged.

14th December A concert was presented in the school before a good attendance of parents and friends. This was followed by a party at which Father Christmas distributed presents.

1951

5th February 38 Children

7th February The school medical officer Dr McKendrick examined all children assisted by Nurse Wilson

16th February Received Janet and John pictures and 1951 Radio Booklet

2nd March. Annual School Picnic held in school grounds

8th March Pupils from Standard 2 Form 2 went to town baths today and swam for their distance certificates.

6th December Miss E C Bourke departed with leave of absence in view of her approaching marriage.

10th December Mrs O'Kane arrived as relieving assistant until end of year

1952

4th February Roll 38. Mrs Riseborough (Nee Bourke) is to continue at least temporarily

5th February Nurse Wilson inspected all children for skin ailments today as there had been several cases reported during the past few weeks.

7th February School closed in honour of the memory of the late King George VI who died yesterday

15th February Funeral of late King George VI appropriate ceremony held at school to mark occasion

27th February All the school attended Wairarapa Country Schools sports day held at Masterton Park oval

17th March Annual Picnic held at Solway Showgrounds

9th May The School Committee and several parents were present at a small function held in the school this morning. This concludes my stay at Te Ore Ore School a most enjoyable one.

16th May 1952 Mr R L Parslow Relieving Head Teacher

26th May R L Parslow Relieving Head Teacher

Mrs Richardson Relieving assistant Roll 42

28th May 10 pupils visited the Exhibition and the Museum in Wellington with Lansdowne School

29th April Mr Waaka applied to have his pupils enrolled in the correspondence school (James and Harold) absent since 17th April

19th May Mrs D Richardson As assistant vice Riseborough

21st May Mr R L Parslow Head Teacher 12 years' service Relieving in Wellington

30th May An honouring of the flag ceremony was held to celebrate the Queen's Birthday

New axe received from School Committee

1st June R L Parslow appointed Head Teacher

6th June Milk for first time this term

13th June Received 30 bottles of milk today

Mr Waaka supplied completed correspondence school enrolment forms

4th August Mrs Richardson absent with leave

Mrs Riseborough relieves

8th August Mrs Richardson returns

8th September Miss J Stewart commenced duties as relieving assistant

1st October Attendance officer called. Arranged to call on the Thorby and Waaka families

19th November 1952 Miss P M White 3 years service P A Wellington

26th November Pump unserviceable Electricians from Wairarapa Electric Power Board repaired engine and Jones and Joyce plumber repaired plumbing

1953

2nd February 44 pupils Mr C Frances relieving teacher Assistant

Permanent Miss P White

20th February 1953 Mr W G Duncan Hawkes Bay Teaching 11 years
appointed Head Teacher

6th March School picnic held at Opaki Racecourse.

26th March 1953 Mr E T Welch (Vice Messrs Duncan and Thompson who
have withdrawn applications Ruatoki North Maori School 8 1/2 years'
service

Telegram from Board undated Unable to obtain relieving teacher please
endeavour to obtain local teacher

25th May E Welch Took over school, reopened after school holidays.
No assistant arrived- No scheme in school

28th May Mrs M Rutherford relieving assistant commenced duty.

29th May Short talk to school about coronation Day. No rope for
flagpole Sang God save the Queen

9th June Nurse Wilson took senior children for Mother craft

16th June District Nurse gave Typhoid injection.

25th June Received scheme of work from Mr O'Kane

2nd July No word of a permanent assistant. Mrs Rutherford has
kindly agreed to remain relieving.

Received nature Study Equipment. 1 Aquarium, 1 Insectariums, 1
terrarium, 1 Wormery, 1 nature table

6th July Lavatories do not appear to have been cleaned from last
Friday

Mr Percy was working in the grounds and I mentioned the matter to
him.

7th July Nurse Wilson gave 2nd injection for typhoid. Mrs Rutherford
and Myself had our first injection.

7th July Lavatories cleaned last night

13th July Visit by Dr Henry. Hygiene Inspector

22nd July Left school at 2 pm in order to represent Wairarapa at
Rugby. at Solway Mrs Rutherford remained in charge.

27th July Very wet boisterous day only 15 children present. No new
work taken

28th July Another rough day. 20 children present- received load of
wood today.

Attended School Committee meeting in school this evening

31st July 1953 Mrs Rutherford agreeable to continue end of term Welch
TE ORE ORE

10th August Lavatories have not been cleaned from 3rd August at least

11th August lavatories cleaned last night. First time for a week

12th 13th October. Very few pupils present today owing to death of
Mr M Rimene.

16th October Mrs Rutherford completed her term of relieving today

19th October Mr J Casey arrived as relieving assistant

20th October Attended School Committee meeting in school.
Committee decided to go ahead and raise funds to purchase a motor
mower

11th November Purchased softball bat from Faulkner Brothers 31/-

4th December Mr R Oliver Secretary of School Committee brought
the motor mower along today

9th December 1953 Miss K Gibson 3 years' service Canterbury
Probationary Assistant

14th December Senior Room pupils and myself attended screening of
the Conquest of Everest at State Theatre

16th December Returned 120 Country Library Books by School Bus

1954

1st February Miss K Gibson permanent assistant started. Roll 49

3rd Feb. Received broadcasts to schools booklets. 6 Senior, 1 Intermediate, 1 junior, 6 music booklets and 1 teachers booklet

11th February Water pump not working properly. Mr R Oliver got it going again.

12th February Visited Manual Training Centre with pupils this morning.

16th February Attended School Committee Date for picnic set.

22nd February Nurse Wilson checked children for scabies etc. today. Only one family affected.

24th February Miss Whitelock Speech Therapist inspected children today.

1st March. No milk today. Attended meeting about picnic day at school this evening.

8th- 10th No Milk

11th March Senior Children attended Royal Tour Film at State Theatre Today

19th March School closed Masterton Centennial

29th March Roll 51 Promoted 5 pupils from Standard 1 to Standard 2 (age)

1st April Received ½ gallon blackboard paint

5th April Attended refresher course for 5 days. Miss Stratford T Section Student taking over my class

23rd April Painted blackboards after school today

28th April Received new football today from rugby union

19th May 1954 £3588-9-0 to accept tender for house from Coradine and Gregory

26th May An officer from the Wellington Education Board came today to inspect blackboards.

3rd June Builders commenced foundations of school house today (Mr J Coradine) (*Later to become South Featherston House*)

24th June Attended School Committee meeting today, first since August. It was decided to hold a working bee on Saturday in order to repair windows and cut bush hedge.

26th June . Wet Day, windows only fixed by School Committee

1st July. Received 2 easel type blackboards

3rd July Another working Bee held today Hedge trimmed back to 3 feet

16th July Short lunch hour for senior pupils as we are going to see films at the State Theatre The sea around us, Bear Country (N. B. I attended a private screening of the above films yesterday afternoon and they were both excellent)

7th August Acted as Deputy Returning Officer for licensing Trust Election in School Today

10th August District Nurse inspected children 4 pupils treated for "nits"

13th August Board approved LOA for myself today in order to attend my Grandmother's funeral

16th August Rough Boisterous day, very few primers present

17th August Attended School Committee Working Bee to be held on Saturday

18th August Septic Tank cleaned today- Pump also repaired and new pipes for boys latrine to be installed during holidays

17th September Posted money 13/- for new film catalogue

19th October. Bulldozer working at school today. Attended School Committee

21st October Miss Gibson took senior pupils to see Health Exhibition this afternoon in the Town Hall

1st November. Miss Murison Country Library Service Officer visited school today

3rd November Rena Edwards gashed her leg on piece of piping in playground this morning (received 5 stitches in wound) Report posted to Wellington Education Board Rena was here for only one day.

12th November Boys Lavatory blocked. Probably caused by birds nesting in cubicle.

16th November Attended School Committee Telephone was installed in school residence today.

17th November. New projector ordered from Wellington arrived today

22nd November Some doubt whether John Waaka should be attending this school So I rang Mr Chipper of Lansdowne who is going to check with welfare officer

23rd November Final inspection by Wellington Education Board officer of school residence today. Authorised erection of a gate into house section from road and a load of shingle to be put round the pump house. When grass has been chipped off

24th November Moved into new school residence today. Mr Kennan Child Welfare Officer called today and explained that John Waaka should not have attended here so I have withdrawn him.

6th November Repairs to school started today

15th December A short concert was held today and presents distributed

1955

8th February Wellington Education Board and school committee met. Matters arising. Painting interior of school, Repairing or resealing asphalt or resealing Renewal of wash basins and 2 drinking fountains outside.

7th March Picnic to be held at Opaki Racecourse

4th April School Committee prepared grounds for ploughing today

5th April Ground ploughed today by Rob Finlay

12th April grounds disced today

14th April Mr R Oliver spent the day levelling the playing area.

3rd May Miss Gibson and I attended Mrs Larsen's funeral today. School closed early as a mark of respect.

24th May Mr P Wallace (Chairman) Mr R Oliver (Secretary) Mr S Oliver, Mr T Carroll, Mr E Shaw new School Committee

9th June Very good miserable day. Snow during afternoon

4th July While Mr Burgess (Visiting Teacher) took my classes today visited Taueru School A well worthwhile visit and most helpful

5th July Gym uniforms completed today.

6th July 7 aside football and basketball tournaments in town

9th July Attended School Committee working bee this morning. Accident with chain saw to self resulting in several stitches in cut in leg.

13th July The majority of pupils went to see the Hogarth Puppet Show a well worthwhile experience

14th July School closed Miss Gibson and I went to Bideford for a course

8th August Moana and Christine Rimene commenced school today again after 3 months at Otaki Health Camp. Dick Darby back again at school after attending Hastwell. School Roll 51

9th August Taueru School Children paid a visit to our school today
Basketball and Rugby games today

5th September Forwarded projector to Begg and Co Wellington for a check-up.

13th September Attended school this evening about a raffle for raising funds. Total of 49 books sold at £1 each

20th September It was agreed that the School Committee meeting that the school paddock be planted in potatoes by the next door market gardener. We supply the seed and manure and they do the work and we share the crop equally

Mr Wallace delivered a cut down 44 gallon drum donated by Tatton Bros (*Mitsubishi Dealer in Masterton*) for an incinerator

7th October Attendance not very good lately owing to measles and influenza.

13th October Fordigraph duplicator arrived yesterday on trial. I collected from Road Services this morning

20th October Mr Oliver delivered a large box for keeping coke in (Not the drink)

3rd November School closed early today because of opening of Rimutaka tunnel opening celebrations

1956

1st February Roll 54. Painters still working on interior of school

8th February Painters finished

24th February Mr Arkinstall from Wellington Education Board came and we discussed flooring etc. in staffroom, heaters, bookcase for primers, curtains for rooms, Protective rail for steps at house

2nd March Miss Gibson left early to go to Wellington to buy books

5th March Miss Gibson brought back stapling machine purchased in Wellington

15th March Annual Picnic held at Solway. A very good attendance of parents

21st March Received a grant from Trust Lands Trust for £20 in form of cheque

19th April Playing area sown in grass today by Messrs B and I Oliver

25th May Mr L Burrows completed removal of stumps and re-erected fence today

5th June Mr J Curtin installed two new coke heaters today (Romesse?)
One slightly rusted

12th June received 14 B Tables, 15 B Chairs, 8 D Chairs 4 C Chairs.
One chair has a cracked leg

6th July Board building people To inspect hard playing area also discussed zip heater and hot point in staff room

17th July Standard 3-6 visited Printcraft today

27th July Mr Sower demonstrated a tape recorder to us today,

He also took the old wireless (*Radio Set needed power to*) set to be checked over to see if worth repairing

30th July Senior Pupils went into Lansdowne School this morning to see two of visiting Springboks

31st July School closed for half day. Springboks Versus Wairarapa-Bush

8th August Nurse Cass gave typhoid injections today

9th August Re sealing of asphalt area commenced today (Oldfields)

14th August Tar sealing completed today. Having trouble with girls lavatories

18th August Mr Barker (Wellington Education Board) inspected Septic tank and it was decided to leave the matter until school holidays

3rd September Roll 60. Both septic tanks at the school lavatories have been cleaned out and a new soak pit was dug for the girls lavatories

7th September All dual desks have been replaced by single ones. A vast improvement

21st September. School closed early this afternoon to allow Miss Gibson and I to go town to order books from Reeds

10th October Mrs Johnson Audiometry Officer tested Standard 1 – Form 2 pupils hearing today

12th October Miss Gibson terminated her appointment as assistant after nearly 3 year's service. She will be a great loss. The children presented her with a gift in appreciation of all she had done for the school

15th October 1956 Miss Gibson resigned and Mrs Welch has to take over her duties, (Trained Teacher)

15th October Mrs E M Welch commenced as relieving assistant mistress

8th October New Zip heater installed in book room today

13th November Miss Pemberton Physical Ed Specialist visited school this afternoon and gave instruction to the pupils about playing softball

17th November I was Deputy Returning Officer today at School. County Elections

26th November Extension speaker installed in infant room today (Wireless)

13th December. Short concert held in school this evening. Mrs E M Welch completed her term of relieving.

1957

4th February Roll 62 Miss V M Smith relieving assistant

13th February Visit and talk by Miss J Studholm President of NZ Junior Red Cross

21st February School picnic at Solway. Quite a number of parents attended

6th March Senior Boys attended cricket match Australia V Wairarapa today.

19th March 1957 Miss V M Smith appointed assistant

27th March Nurse Cass inspected majority of children today. Poor quality of lunches commented on

1st April Miss V M Smith became permanent assistant as from today.

9th May A concert compared by Miss Edna Wallace was held in the school this evening. A very large crowd attended and thoroughly enjoyed the Entertainment. As a result the school will get much necessary equipment. A sum of £24

28th May Attended School Committee meeting It was decided to purchase a set of multiplex playground equipment

20th May Mrs Te Tau and Mrs Ngaturi commenced lessons in Maori Craft this afternoon. This work to be continued during the year on Thursdays and carving also to be started if possible. Children are very interested.

7th June Conveyance service for Form 1 and 2 pupils to and from Manual Training Commenced Today

8th June Attended working bee at school this morning. Trees Topped and Goal Posts Erected.

25th June Received 8 wood carving chisels from Art and Craft Organiser on loan today.

8th August 3 x 6.5 rubber balls, 2x 8.5 Balls, 20x 9 foot rope 1 x 14 foot ropes from Wellington Education Board

23rd August Roll 63.

9th September Poor Attendance owing to death of Mr T Potangaroa ex pupil of this school

11th September Attendance still not good owing to Tangi in the District

13th September Te Rairi Peneha received cut above left eye while playing pegball, received attention from Doctor but no stitches needed. Board notified

23rd September. District Nurse gave injection Polio today

2nd October 9 Senior Pupils took part in music festival matinee this afternoon at Town Hall

21st October Nurse Cass gave 2nd polio injection today.

27th November Purchased some infant equipment for Primer Room from R R Stevens Ltd today including a guillotine.

Upto

1958

3rd February Roll 62

5th February No water pump being overhauled well checked, children sent home early

6th February Plumbers still working on pump. Children sent home early today also.

7th February School closed today in honour of Queen Mother's visit to NZ

11th March Miss Smith and I attended Inservice training Day in Masterton School closed.

21st March received clay from Wellington Education Board

24th March Sergeant Fogg and Constable Kettle Police Lecturers gave a very interesting talk about their job

10th June School Committee Meeting. It was decided to purchase more drill balls and also a soccer-basketball

16th June Nurse Fleming and other nurses continued polio injections today.

11th July Half yearly survey completed.

24th July. Attended School Committee meeting. The long needed group grass cutting scheme is scheduled to commence in Mid August

25th July Received art requisition for 1958 today. Also 10 pairs of scissors from 1957

Also received 10 6.5 inch balls for Physical Education

7th August 1958 V M Smith in hospital for unspecified time Mrs E M Welsh relieving

21st August The football field was mown today. The first time in the group citing scheme

22nd August I have been granted leave of Absence for the period 8th – 19th September inclusive to enable me to attend an orientation course at Ardmore College (Training College) No reliever has been appointed as yet

22nd September Roll 70

19th December. Miss Smith has resigned to travel overseas

1959

Roll 67 Miss J Dowd commenced as relieving assistant today.

12th February Received all free text book order from Whitcombe and Tombs

20th February Hot point in staffroom/office installed today

School Committee meeting. It was decided to purchase a new radio and I have been instructed to make enquiries about cost etc.

2nd March Bob Stothart PE Adviser instructed pupils

17th March Mrs Stothart Nature Study special 1st visited school today.

17th March 1959 Miss J P Dowd assistant mistress

1st May New blackboards have been installed in both rooms

7th April School Committee meeting. It was decided to purchase a new radio receiver and microphone from the Education Department.

Miss J P Dowd had been appointed permanent from May 25th

13th April School Committee Mr S Oliver Chairman, Mr D Muir Secretary, Mr R Himonia, Mr R Oliver, Mrs Tom Peneha

21st April Received new radio today

22nd April Received new microphone today

1st May Concrete path round boys toilet completed today.

28th May It was decided to purchase a new radio speaker.

22nd June Received 2 bar electric heater from 1959 requisition

6th July. Light in cloakroom installed today by Mr V Hoggard

16th July Curtains fitted in both classrooms by Belmont Furnishers Masterton

21st July 2 new entrants welfare boys enrolled Roll 71

18th August Fire guards and heaters both raised by Mr R Coleman

30th October. New drum like incinerator delivered by Mr R Coleman (Plumber)

31st October New braces and flues for fires in both rooms installed.

21st November County Elections at school today I was Deputy Returning Officer

1960

1st February Roll 65. Miss Dowd has taken up a position at St Mathews School Mrs E T Welch relieving.

8th February Mrs L Smith relieving from today

8th March Mr Deacon Inspector came today. We had a brief discussion about children from this school entering Intermediate

9th March Water supply does not appear to be adequate. Pump sucking air

10th March Mr Curtin inspected school well and is of the opinion that another well should be dug.

14th March Mr Curtin tested well again. No water available at all. Mr S Oliver Chairman of School Committee rang Wellington Education Board and was advised by them to send children home for remainder of the day. Mrs Smith and I remained at school until 3 pm

15th March Auxiliary water supply in operation while well being dug. School open

17th March New well and bore has been completed and water supply back to normal.

21st March Mr Macmillan member of inspectorate, visited school today to test any children thought to be eligible for "special class". Tested 2 children but did not think that they were possible cases.

26th April Dr Roberts inspected several children "hard of hearing"

29th April Nurse Freeman spent morning at school inspecting Form 2 pupils and new entrants.

4th April Mr D Walsh Area Organiser of Special Classes tested Selwyn Waaka and Amiria Peniha today. He is of the opinion that Selwyn is of average intelligence (80-90 IQ) and that Amiria is a case for special attention and recommends her entry into the special class at Central School

23rd April Mrs P Smith now appointed permanent assistant Roll 57

5th July Received 1 copy of Facsimiles of the Treaty of Waitangi.

11th July. I was away today due to ill health. Mrs Smith took both classes

18th July Mrs Smith away sick. Mrs E M Welch relieving

17th August Water failed again Mr R Coleman Fixed pump.

Mr A Golding Senior Inspector called to say Hello again. He appeared to be very interested in the children being given every chance to attend Intermediate

18th September No water today Mr R Coleman checked pump and found cracked connection at top of pipe leading to the well.

4th October Mrs R Macfarlane acting as relieving assistant

22nd November School Committee meeting. A further request by the School Committee that this school become a contributor to the Masterton Intermediate has been forwarded to the Wellington Education Board but no reply received.

30th November Mr J Mora Head Master of Masterton Intermediate visited school this morning to test pupils of Standard 4 and Form 1. There is every chance that this school will become a contributor if transport and accommodation problems are solved.

2nd December. Annual survey started

Water pump not pumping water. Mr R Coleman came out and stripped pump and found source of the trouble

13th December A short concert and break up was held at this school this evening. A very good attendance of parents.

1961

26th January 1961 Te Ore Ore becomes a contributing school of MIS.

Children living over 3 miles from MIS can apply to Education Board for Capitation Grant

1st February Roll 37 Mrs P Smith Assistant. The school has become a contributor to Masterton Intermediate. A very sound move in my opinion and one that should prove of immense value to the children socially as the majority of them in this District experience very poor home circumstances and an extremely limited environment

14th February Received N Z C E R spelling lists (Arvidson)

15th February Mr L Doyle Traffic Inspector visited school today with Shell Traffic Trainer today

21st February School closed today Inservice. NZCER *New Zealand Council for Education Research lists for all schools which were based on frequency of use in children's writing rather than difficulty of spelling*) Spelling Lists discussed at Intermediate School. Mrs Smith and I attended.

27th February Fireplace at residence rebricked and new tile surround installed.

1st March Bath at residence renewed- mantel and fender completed but not varnished

3rd March Received 1 cwt of clay today

7th March Annual Picnic Day at Riversdale (Change from Solway) and a very successful day was held. 18 adults and 60 children attended

15th March Sparge (spray) pipe and new system in boys latrine

18th March. Working Bee at school 13 adults attended Kerbing on main path into school commenced, Hedge Cut, Old fence pulled down.

25th March Kerbing completed, fence round vegetable plot pulled down

27th April Pupils of senior room attended Regent Theatre to see a series of films on NZ

4th April Planted a begonia bed. Begonias were given to us by Mr Barnett Science Adviser who also helped plant out the beds.

22nd May Roll 40

26th May Received 1 cwt of clay

29th May 1961 Inspectors report included

- a) E T Welch 17 children
- b) Mrs P M Smith 23 children
- c) Modern methods are in use throughout the school
- d) The roll has been considerably reduced by the removal of Form 1 and 2 to the intermediate school

21st June School Committee meeting. It was decided to purchase a filmstrip projector and arrangements have been left to me.

16th August Filmstrip projector and daylight screen arrived today purchased from Cooper Bros Ltd, Auckland

22nd September. Hine Rimene a Standard 2 pupil passed away early this morning after a brief illness.

25th September Mrs Smith and I attended funeral of Hine Rimene. Mrs Welch was in charge of the school while we were away

16th November Annual Calf and Lamb day Only 4 calves and 2 lambs

8th December Standard 4 pupils visited Masterton Intermediate School from 9.00- 12.00

1962

2nd February 1962 The Wellington Education Board programme is for re-roofing of the Te Ore Ore School replacing the asbestos roof with iron and replacing the steel windows

5th February Roll 28

21st February Mr Bill Hedley and Mr Sawyers from Wellington Education Board made a quick inspection of the school buildings

Mr A Pink overhauled pump today

1st March Annual School Picnic at Riversdale Beach, 19 adults

19th March Mr Hedley (Wellington Education Board Maintenance and Mr Laws (Ministry of Works) inspected the school today

17th April Children received first dose of Sabin Vaccine (Oral) for prevention of Polio

1st May Very poor attendance due to two Tangis in the District

21st May Roll 30

11th June The Standard pupils went to see the stage show The King and I at the Regent Theatre today 2-30- 5.30

27th June Mr J Curtin fixed the water pump. He is of the opinion it is now in need of a thorough overhaul

13th August Meeting in school tonight re proposed consolidation on Lansdowne School at some future date in lieu of carrying out expensive maintenance work at this school. A large gathering of parents and householders attended. Mr Tipp Wellington Education

Board , Mr Golding Senior Inspector, and Mr Wallace Ward Member were in attendance Result of voting for 0 against 22

3rd October Bideford school visited us today for sports practice. Issued a note for parents disclaiming any responsibility for pupils in the school grounds before 8.30 am daily

11th October Mr I Porter replaced locks on outside doors of school

12th October Mr Porter started repairing rusticating on playshed

25th November Lamp in movie projector, blew replaced it with a new one

29th November Sprayed weeds at main gate and on main pathway to into school. Used waste diesel and oil from Shell company (3/-)

14th December Very poor attendance this week due to death of Mrs K Kawana Tangi and burial service held on Tuesday.

19th December Roll 33

1963

4th February Teachers Only Day held. We did not go to any group day

5th February Roll 29

11th February School closed Royal visit to Wellington and Lower Hutt

20th February Two Ministry of Woks people inspected the roof

21st February No water, pump labouring Mr S Oliver rang Wellington Education Board but Mr Hedley away on sick leave.

22nd February Pump still giving trouble and comes in fits and starts. Mr J Curtin came and took pump away for general overhaul at 1.00 Replaced overhauled pump late this afternoon and will check water again tomorrow Saturday

27th February Commenced regular Wednesday games period today Have entered one team (mixed) in the town softball draw, Won against Solway 22-19

28th February The senior room pupils and I visited the Dalefield Dairy Factory.

5th March The whole school visited Castlepoint School

23rd March Working Bee held at school 7 parents attended,

27th March Mr Hedley has had no word from the Ministry of Works with regard to repairs to the roof etc.

3rd April 1963 Inspectors Report included

a) E T Welch 12

b) Mrs P Smith 17

c) The school has had a stable staff the children are happy, well balanced and making progress

d) Attendance is regular

20th April School Committee Mr S C Oliver Chairman, Mr P Himona Secretary, Mrs K Yee, H Guppy, T K Penaha only 6 householders present

19th August Standard 2 to 4 children attended the welcome to Governor General at Wairarapa College

16th December Mr S C Oliver resigned from School Committee after 14 years service. As from 1964 he will not have any children attending. He will be greatly missed.

1964

4th February Roll 29

6th February Commenced swimming at Memorial Baths To visit baths on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 2.00 to 3.00. Entrance to baths 3d

4th March Entered one team in Wednesday Softball tournament

21st March A farewell social and dance was held in the school this evening for myself and family as I have resigned from my position as from 31st March

26th March I vacate the residence on Tuesday 31st March 1964

1st April Mrs P Smith relieving head teacher pending permanent appointment Mr M Petrus relieving assistant.

District Nurse visited school checking up on "sores"

27th April School shifted to West Side School in Masterton while maintenance repairs are being carried out at Te Ore Ore School. Furniture shifted by transport truck Children are being transported by bus to and from their homes to town. Arrangements all satisfactory.

27th April Entered one team in "B" grade basketball (Netball) competitions

29th April Senior pupils with Mr Petrus visited the Post Office and were shown over the mailroom, telephone exchange and telegraph Department

1st May All children attended aquarium at the Park. Primer children fed the ducks on the way home

4th May Sam Kilsby (*ex Head Teacher of Featherston School*) Wellington Education Board member visited the school to see that all was well at West Side School

25th May Charles Bayley commenced duty as Head Teacher. Mrs P Smith permanent assistant. Roll no 27. Because the renovation have not as yet been completed, temporary accommodation at West Side school is still being used.

9th June Stove heater replaced in Junior Room.

12th June Period at West School terminated today

15th June Children's schooling resumed at Te Ore Ore today. Renovations have been completed but painters are still at work

19th June Typewriter purchased for school £20 plus £20 subsidy

25th June Filing cabinet purchased for office

28th June W Hedley- Maintenance officer to check school

7th September Roll 29

7th October Our school was involved with 10 other schools at Masterton West school. The day was culmination of 4 weeks study of Pre European Maoris The children were dressed in cloaks and pūipūis and presented themselves most creditably.

12th October Mrs Smith returned after 4 weeks LOA Mrs Bayley relieved in the Infant Department.

21st October Whole school attended a standards meeting. Sports abandoned at 1 pm because of rain.

27th October. First visit of Mr W E Farland Organising teacher.

Received a S R A Reading Laboratory cost £22/1/6/-

6th November Infant children visited Hood Aerodrome under care of Mrs Smith and Mrs Bayley

16th December Received a Goodrid Incinerator

19th December Received 2 new teacher's desks

1965

2nd February Roll 28

3rd February Managed to persuade County Engineer to clean up school grounds 12 truckloads of rubbish removed. New culvert at entrance gate.

Children commenced swimming at municipal pool.

27th February Painted all blackboards in both rooms.

28th February Sunday Annual school picnic held at Castlepoint School. Mr Edwards at CASTLEPOINT had made all facilities available A good muster of parents accompanied children

22nd February Mr Les Doyle Traffic Officer made his last visit to school before being transferred to Wellington

20th March County Ratepayers Poll. School used as a Polling Place

24th March Visit of Audiometrist 23% of children have hearing difficulties.

30th March Visit of Doctor Roberts to check over children with hearing defects.

24th May In holidays I painted most of the school furniture and rearranged cloakroom for storage facilities

18th October. Children visited Wellington for a school trip. Visits were made to the zoo, museum, parliament buildings and the wharves. The school was shown over a cargo boat

Also a ride around the harbour on the Police Launch A most exciting and informative visit for most of the children who had never before been to Wellington

29th October Miss Milne was afforded a farewell function and presented with a gift by the parents. The children became very fond of her which was only natural in view of the interest she took in them.

16th December School closed End of log. School closed 1972

1966

18th April 1966 Inspectors Report included

a) C Bayley Roll 16

b) Mrs P Smith Roll 16

c) The head teacher and his assistant are keen and industrious and a fine tone and happy working spirit is evident throughout the school

1967

25th August 1967 C Bayley leaves the residence and Miles Percy moves in on the 29th August

7th December 1967 School closed pump failure

1968

3rd May 1968 Teacher aides appointed. Mrs Percy to work 10 hours per week

1969

11th November 1969 Myles Percy Sole Charge Roll 25

1971

1st February 1971 Miles Percy reports accident at school to himself, slipped on steps and hurt his back and legs

28th September 1971 Miles Percy writes re combined senior camp with Bideford and Gladstone school at Castlepoint. Juniors combine at Te Ore

1972

1st February 1972 Te Ore Ore School closed and was consolidated on Lansdowne School from the 1st February 1972
Information v re Alice Fouhy Nee Dougherty

	Alice Dougherty		
1901	Pupil Teacher	Hukanui	
1903	Pupil Teacher	Pahiatua	
1906	Application for TC Accepted	Pahiatua	
1907	Partial Pass Class D		
1909	Partial Pass Class C	Masterton	

GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT LOST POLICY. EVIDENCE having been supplied of the loss of Policy numbered 240533 .in the books of the Department on the life of MRS. ALICE FOUHY, of Hataitai, School Teacher, formerly of Hukanui, Hamua, and Masterton, I hereby give notice of my intention to issue, at the expiry of one week from this date, a copy to take the place thereof unless objection be previously lodged. J. H. RICHARDSON,. Government Insurance Commissioner. .Wellington, 7th day of September. 1921

4th August 1912. Alice Fouhy Appointed Hamua

20th January 1916 Attended Catholic Conference

25th November 1926 Vice President Hataitai School Old Students Assn

7th March 1925 Secretary Women's Teacher Association held at NZEI

13th May 1931 810 QUESTION. Mrs. A. Fouhy said that the matter raised by Mr. de Berry was a big question, and should not have been introduced. It was not fair to "spring" the proposal on the annual meeting without members having had an opportunity of discussing it thoroughly

6th August 1934 •A pleasing feature of the occasion was the attendance of former members of the Hataitai School staff comprising Mrs. A. Fouhy (Te Ore Ore), Messrs: B; Kean (late headmaster Miramar' South), C. Robertson (headmaster, Berampore), and A. A. Kirk (Technical College.) The hockey game was efficiently controlled by Mr. Ron. Martin, and the basketball match was capably supervised by Misses Hiddleston (Dalefield) and Parker (Hataitai).

18th May 1936 The election of officers Women's Teachers Association resulted as follows:—President, Miss F. J. Taylor f (Auckland); vice-presidents, Mrs. A. Fouhy (Masterton

17th May 1937 Vice President again

14th May 1940 President Womens Teachers Assn

Had one child born 1911 with Mr John Fouhy listed as father.

1901	49	Hukanui	Dougherty	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 20.00
1902	257	1Pahiatua	Dougherty	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher	£ 20.00
1903	264	Pahiatua	Dougherty	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher 2	£ 30.00
1904	317	Pahiatua	Dougherty	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher3	£ 45.00
1905	325	Pahiatua	Dougherty	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher 4	£ 55.00
1908	61	Hamua	Dougherty	Alice		Assistant Female	£ 85.00
1909	61	Hamua	Dougherty	Alice		Assistant Female	£ 90.00
1912	52	Hamua	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	D4	Assistant Female	£ 90.00
1913	48	Hamua	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C3	Assistant Female	£ 95.00
1914	46	Hamua	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C2	Assistant Female	£ 105.00
1915	48	Hamua	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C2	Assistant Female	£ 140.00
1917	43	Hamua	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C2	C-77	£ 160.00
1919	44	Hamua	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C2	C-74	£ 210.00
1921	230	Haitaitai	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C	Assistant	£ 260.00
1923	289	Haitaitai	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C-141	Assistant	£ 263.00

1897	28	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Master	£100
1898	46	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Headmaster	£195
1898	46	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate		Female Pupil Teacher	£20
1899	55	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Headmaster	£215
1899	55	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate		Female Pupil Teacher	£20
1900	56	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Headmaster	£215
1900	56	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate		Female Pupil Teacher	£25
1901	69	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Headmaster	£195
1901	69	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate		Female Pupil Teacher	£40
1902	73	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Headmaster	£195
1902	73	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate L		Assistant Female	£80
1903	75	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Headmaster	£195
1903	75	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate L		M1stress	£95
1904	60	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J		Headmaster	£196
1904	60	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate L		M1stress	£95
1905	53	Te Ore Ore	Guest	Joseph J	D2	Headmaster	£177
1905	53	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate L	E4	M1stress	£85
1906	46	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	D1	Headmaster	£180
1906	46	Te Ore Ore	Campbell	Kate L	E4	Assistant Female	£90
1907	45	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	D1	Headmaster	£180
1907	45	Te Ore Ore	Blomqu1st	Henrietta		Assistant Female	£85
1908	60	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	D1	Headmaster	£165
1908	60	Te Ore Ore	Blomqu1st	Henrietta		Assistant Female	£85
1909	32	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	D1	Headmaster	£185
1909	32	Te Ore Ore	Smith	Louise	D3	Assistant Female	£95
1910	37	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	C1	Master	£190
1911	37	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	C1	Headmaster	£195

1911	37	Te Ore Ore	Freeman	Jessie A		Assistant Female	£94	
1912	39	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	C1	Headmaster	£200	
1912	39	Te Ore Ore	Freeman	Jessie A		Assistant Female	£99	Provided
1913	39	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	C1	Headmaster	£205	
1913	39	Te Ore Ore	Bright	Aimee D	E1	Assistant Female	£90	£25.00
1914	46	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	C1	Headmaster	£210	
1914	46	Te Ore Ore	Jackson	Dorothy E	C4	Assistant Female	£105	£30.00
1915	46	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	C1	Headmaster	£220	
1915	45	Te Ore Ore	Jackson	Dorothy E	C3	Assistant Female	£120	
1917	48	Te Ore Ore	Jones	George A	Head	C-48	£240	
1917	48	Te Ore Ore	Ramsay	Lily M	Assistant		£126	
1919	52	Te Ore Ore	Dagg	Eveline E	Head	D-74	£220	
1919	52	Te Ore Ore	McPhee	Maggie C	Assistant	D-99	£175	
1921	29	Te Ore Ore	See Lansdowne					
1923	42	Te Ore Ore	See Lansdowne					

