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With regret we record the sudden passing of Mr. L. R. Brownlee, on January 6, of the old Illawarra family. Born in Wollongong he was well known in sporting circles. Although a member for some years, he rarely attended our functions, but was intensively interested in local history and was a keen collector of the Society's publications.

One week later the district was saddened by the passing of Mr. J. L. Wood, of Woonona, a Past President of the Illawarra Natural History Society and a friend to many of us. A survey draftsman by profession, Len was always ready to help on historical problems as his work in several of our publications bears witness and in fact he was preparing a sketch for this Society when we learned of his demise.

We also regret the passing of the mothers of members, Mrs. Jean Groves (nee Wheatley) and Miss M. George. The late Mrs. Wheatley will be remembered for her delight in the excursions, particularly those on Saturday afternoons.

To the respective families we extend our heartfelt sympathy.