BOOKLETS AND SOUVENIRS AVAILABLE:

The school centenary booklet, “From Darkness to Light” and the new enlarged edition of “Black Diamonds” put together for binding as a centenary project by the school pupils are still available at the school and our society’s museum.

CENTENARY MEDAL:

A special medal was struck to celebrate the centenary. There were 15 in bronze and 700 in white alloy.

The obverse depicts the school badge with the word “Centenary” in circle above and “1869-1969” below, whilst the reverse shows the school building as it appeared when opened in 1869.

The bronze medallions were presented to official dignitaries. The silver badges are still available at 70c each and are being sought by collectors and members of numismatic societies.

REVIEW OF PUBLICATIONS:

Publications of the society are available for sale at our museum when open at 11 Market Street, Wollongong or by mail from the same address.

The council of the society will make a survey of stocks held with a view to re-printing any in short supply.

RAILWAY HISTORY IN ILLAWARRA:

This much sought after book, written by C. C. Singleton, gratis, for the society in 1964 is now out of print.

Council of the society delegated our editor to bring forward a plan for printing of the book to include some dozen or so of historic Illawarra railway photographs.

If any members have any photographs they feel inclusion the editor would be glad to see them.

Meanwhile planning goes ahead.

FORT ARTILLERY SOCIETY:

Another society which has come under notice is the above. The visit of one of their members to our museum where a photograph of the former gun emplacements above the Wollongong Baths was seen, led him to see for himself the two old cannons of 1870 vintage in the park made on top of the former emplacements.

The Fort Artillery Society has asked our society to supply pictures of the old emplacements. This will be attended to.

DELAYS IN REQUESTS:

Some delay might be experienced in securing the necessary copies of photographs sought as the negatives are among thousands which have to be inspected to find them. Sometimes prints have to be copied and developing and printing take time.

However it is our society’s policy to make available photographs as far as possible to all interested and for all purposes.

The service is done for cost.

MOON DAY:

The whole world marked the greatest day in the history of mankind when on Monday, July 21 man first landed on the moon. Our Illawarra district, in common with the rest of the world, stood by television sets to see the first foot step on to another celestial body of the universe.