OBITUARY:
Miss G. Jones

Society members heard with regret of the death on 8th June, following an accident at home, of Miss Gwladys Jones, at the age of 81. Miss Jones had been a member of the Society for 22 years, and was one of those most constant in attendance at monthly meetings, where, in the interests of the Y.W.C.A. (one of the many charities for which she was a worker) she regularly assisted in serving supper.

Miss Jones was born at Corrimal, the youngest of a family of six. Her father had come out from Cardiff to manage Corrimal Colliery, migrating on the advice of his brother, also a mine manager. (Many of her relatives were connected in some capacity with mining, both in Wales and Australia). He died while Miss Jones was a baby. Her mother, in addition to bringing up the family, established and for many years conducted a department store which under the name of E. A. Jones and Co. was for many years a Corrimal landmark, and in which Miss Jones spent her working life. The generosity of the firm during the depression years, both in the allowance of extended credits and in outright gifts of food and other necessities, is remembered by many of the older residents of Corrimal.

In her spare time and after her retirement Miss Jones devoted herself to a wide range of good causes, including St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church at Wollongong, the Red Cross (of which she was made a life member after fifty years’ service), the Illawarra Society for Crippled Children, the C.W.A., the Y.W.C.A., and the Chesalon Ladies’ Auxiliary, to name only a few.

She will be greatly missed by her many friends in the Society, who extend their sympathy to her relatives.

Mrs. G. Dunkerley

As this Bulletin goes to press we are most sorry to learn of the death, after a short illness, of one of our best-known members and most faithful workers, Mrs. Gwendolen Dunkerley. The Society extends its sympathy to Mr. Dunkerley and their son Brian.

A fuller note will appear in a later issue.

THE LATE LORD CASEY:

The death of Lord Casey recalls that during his term of office as Governor-General he and Lady Casey on 26 March 1968 visited our Museum, then fairly recently established. Many members will recall the hard work that went into getting the Museum in order (a C-in-C’s inspection was nothing to it), and the swotting-up on etiquette—not many of us were used to moving in Vice-Regal circles.

As the Bulletin recorded at the time, Lord and Lady Casey were not only interested but well-informed. Lord Casey expressed particular interest in old photographs of the E.R. & S. Company (which his father had been instrumental in founding), given prominence as a result of a happy thought by Mr. A. R. Grenfell, who, like Mr. Mintorn, had known the then Mr. R. G. Casey as a young engineer at Port Kembla in the early 1920’s.

Lord Casey subsequently presented to the Society a copy of his book “Australian Father and Son,” which is in the Society’s collection.

The Society joins the rest of Australia in mourning one of the most distinguished of Australians, and expressing sympathy with Lady Casey and their children.