

Wallaceville Hall & Sparrow Hall

Mangaroa Valley Road Mangaroa Valley

The Wallaceville Hall also known as Sparrow Hall was once situated on part Section No 146 in the Mangaroa Valley. The area was part of the early Township of Wallaceville.

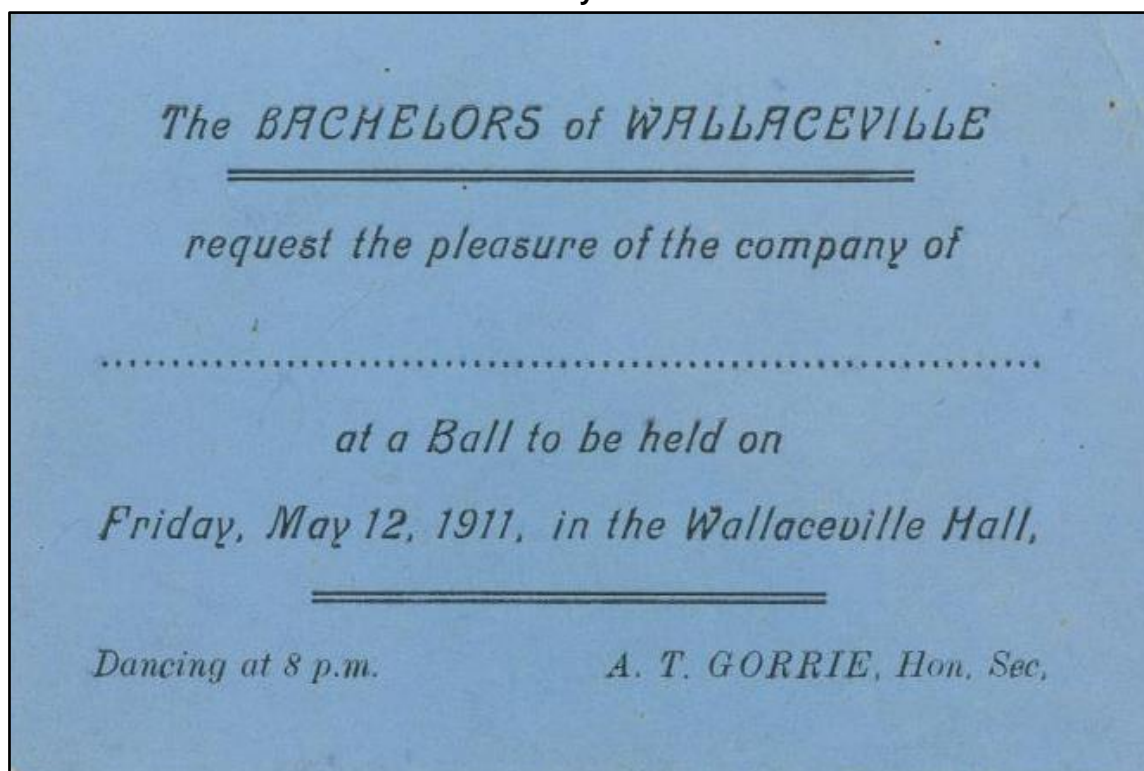
It is not known when the Wallaceville Hall was built but the earliest mention of the hall was in January 1911.

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 12 January 1911

Directory – Public Halls - Wallaceville Public Hall – Secretary E. E. Burrell

(Reference Papers Past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 12 January 1911 page 1)

12 May 1911



(Reference Private Lindsay collection saved as UH BLD Gorrie 17 – Sparrow Hall)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 19 May 1911

Wallaceville Social – The Bachelors Ball on Friday last was a great success. The attendance fully taxed the capacity of the hall and the function is said to have been excelled on but one previous occasion. Mr Arthur Davis was M.C. and the music was furnished by Mr Charles West. Mr A T Gorrie was a most efficient secretary.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 19 May 1911 page 2)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 10 June 1911

Clubs, Societies, Etc., Directory – Public Halls - Wallaceville Public Hall – Secretary E. E. Burrell

(Reference Papers Past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 24 June 1911 page 4)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 26 August 1911

Wallaceville Hall – Third Annual Ball – Will be held on Thursday next 31 August 1911

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 26 August 1911 page 1)

Willowbank Cottage (left) - Wallaceville Hall (right)



(UH BLD Heritage Willowbank & Sparrow Hall Wallaceville(1).jpg)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 02 September 1911

Wallaceville - Annual Ball – The Annual Ball attracted a representative attendance and proved an enjoyable function. Miss Keys supplied the music for the dances which were continued until a late hour. A very nice supper was provided. Mr E E Burrell officiated as M.C. and also lent his piano for the occasion.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 02 September 1911 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 02 November 1911

Hutt County Council Election Notice - For Mungaroa Riding – The Wallaceville Hall Wallaceville

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 02 November 1911 page 6)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 25 November 1911

Mr Short is announced to address the electors at Upper Hutt on Thursday next and at the Wallaceville hall on the Tuesday before polling day. Both meetings are at 8 pm.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 25 November 1911 page 1)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 24 May 1913

Upper Hutt Minstrels – Wallaceville Hall – Wednesday 28th May at 8 pm

First Class Entertainment – Admission One Shilling – Dance to follow

Gents 1s, Ladies free – Music by Mrs Whiteman – W Greig. Hon Sec.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 24 May 1913 page 1)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 24 May 1913

The Upper Hutt Minstrels are giving first-class popular entertainment at the Wallaceville Hall on Wednesday next at eight o'clock. A dance will be held afterwards at which Mrs F Whitemans Will provide the music.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 24 May 1913 page 4)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 25 October 1913

Wedding Bells Hercock-Clifford - There was a gallant gathering of relatives and friends at the Wallaceville Presbyterian Church (which friends of the bride had prettily decorated for the occasion) on Wednesday 15 October to witness the marriage of Freda Mabel eldest daughter of F A Clifford of Wallaceville to Frank eldest son of F Hercock of Eketahuna. The Rev. F J Usher performed the ceremony at the conclusion of which the Wedding March was played by Mr Andrew Lauchlan cousin of the bride as the party left the church. The bride who was given away by her father wore a dress of San-toi silk with cream silk insertion trimming and wore sprays of lilies of the valley on the orthodox veil. The bridesmaids were Olive (chief) and May Clifford (sisters of the bride) and Dolly Hercock (sister of the bridegroom). The chief bridesmaid's dress was of Japanese silk with trimmings to match while her assistants wore cream rediantha and cream hats trimmed with oriental ribbon of apricot shade. Mr Carter officiated as best man and Messrs Wenham and Walter Clifford as groomsmen. A reception was afterwards held at the Wallaceville Hall which was nicely decorated with banksia roses and ferns and a party of over a hundred guests also assembled in the evening to further celebrate the event. The bride wore a brown Harris Tweed costume with brown trimmings and a white hat with brown trimmings to go away in. The honeymoon is to be spent at Napier after which the newly wedded couple will take up their residence at Eketahuna. The wedding cake of three tiers was supplied by J A Hazelwood & Co. of Upper Hut.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 25 October 1913 page 4)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 27 June 1914

Defence Forces Territorials and Senior Cadets Parade Notice
Parade at Record Hall every Monday at 8 pm unless otherwise notified.
Parade at Wallaceville Hall next Friday at 7.30 pm.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 27 June 1914 page 1)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 21 November 1914

A M Samuel Reform Candidate – Will address the Hutt Electors as under – Wallaceville Hall Tuesday at 8 pm.

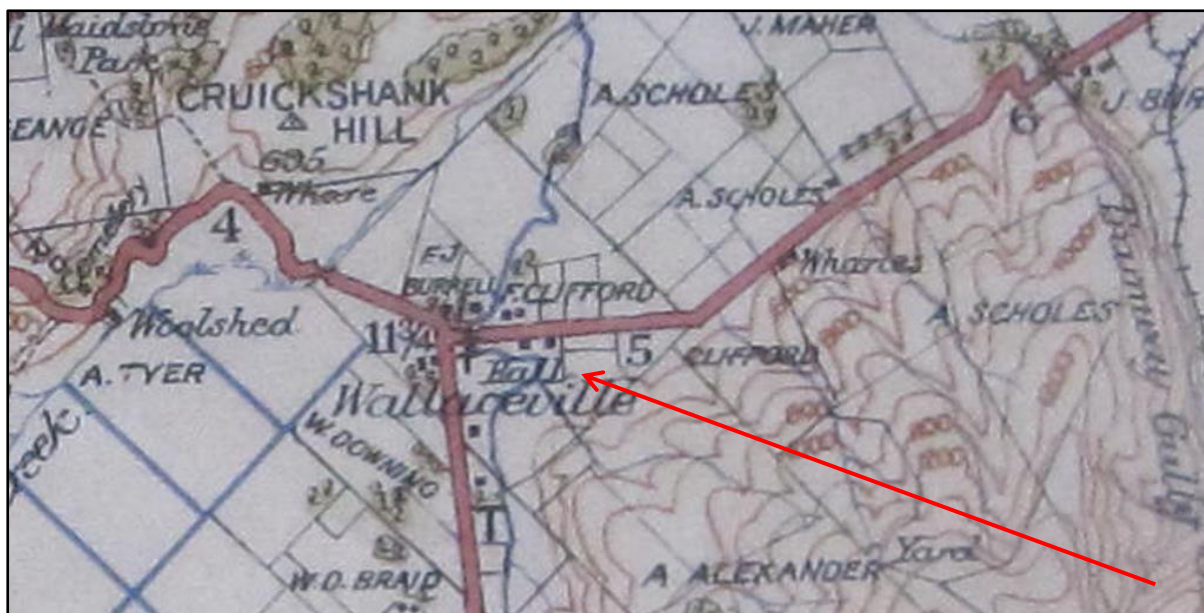
(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 21 November 1914 page 1)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 21 November 1914

A M Samuel the Reform candidate will address the Mangaroa electors at the Maymorn School on Tuesday next at 7 pm and at Wallaceville Hall at 8 pm the same evening. He has arranged to address the Kaitoke electors on Wednesday night at the school at 7.30 pm.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 21 November 1914 page 3)

Wallaceville Hall 1915



New Zealand Times newspaper 08 November 1917

Hutt County Council Election Notice – For the Mungaroa Riding – Wallaceville Hall – Hours of polling 9 o'clock am to 7 o'clock pm.

(Reference Paper past website New Zealand Times newspaper 08 November 1917 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 03 November 1920

Hutt County Council Election Notice – For the Mungaroa Riding – Wallaceville Hall – Hours of polling 9 o'clock am to 7 o'clock pm.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post 03 November 1920 page 2 & New Zealand Times 04 November 1920 page 3)



(Reference Photograph private collection Mangaroa and District Roll of Honour)

New Zealand Times newspaper 10 February 1921

Roll of Honour interesting ceremony at Wallaceville School - A roll of honour in memory of those who went from the Wallaceville district to take part in the Great War was unveiled at the school on Saturday afternoon. The school was beautifully decorated by the ladies for the occasion and accordingly the weather being of the best presented an animated appearance there being close on 150 people present. An interesting and unique feature was the attendance of over 30 soldier patients from Trentham camp. Mr Frederick Clifford occupied the chair and was supported by Mr W H Field M.P., and Mr Rishworth both members of the Education Board and by Dr Kemp Upper Hutt and the members of the school committee. The chairman introduced the proceedings and stated that the roll contained the names of thirty one boys who had gone from the district nine of whom had made the supreme sacrifice while twenty one had returned. He also paid a tribute to the work done by the ladies in sending parcels for the use of the troops. The roll was unveiled by Mrs Kemp Upper Hutt who was afterwards presented with a bouquet by Miss E Scholes. Mr Field M.P., in the course of his speech drew attention to the dangers which the Allies had passed through in March 1918 and contrasted the comparatively happy conditions prevailing in New Zealand to-day with the sufferings being experienced in some parts of Europe as the result of the war. He also emphasised the necessity of making Germany pay to the utmost of her resources the compensation demanded. Mr Rishworth who followed assured the audience that Germany was by no means a broken country. He dwelt on the value of such rolls of honour in keeping green the memory of those who went in defence of their land drew attention to the intense patriotism both in the Homeland and New Zealand by the backbone of the country the yeoman class. Dr Kemp added his testimony from personal experience to the heroism displayed by the New Zealand soldiers especially during that trying time in March 1918 and warned his hearers against believing Germany to be a repentant country. The company then proceeded outside to the school grounds where the National Anthem was sung. In memory of the fallen the flag was lowered to the strains of the "Last Post.

An adjournment was thereafter made to Wallaceville Hall where refreshments were provided by the ladies and so a most successful function was brought to a close.

(Reference Papers past website New Zealand Times newspaper 10 February 1921 page 9)

Evening Post newspaper 19 & 20 October 1925

Otaki Electorate – Mr W H Field Reform Candidate will address the Electors as under
Wallaceville Hall Wednesday 21st October 8 pm

(Reference Paper past website Evening Post newspaper 19 & 20 October 1925 page 2)

New Zealand Times newspaper 27 April 1926

Anzac Day – Special services were also held in the afternoon at Silverstream (Presbyterian), Wai Tako Prison (Rev J Holmes and at Wallaceville Hall Mungaroa (Rev G V Kendrick).

(Reference Paper past website New Zealand Times newspaper 27 April 1926 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 06 & 08 May 1926

Hutt County Council – Mangaroa Riding – Wallaceville Hall Wallaceville

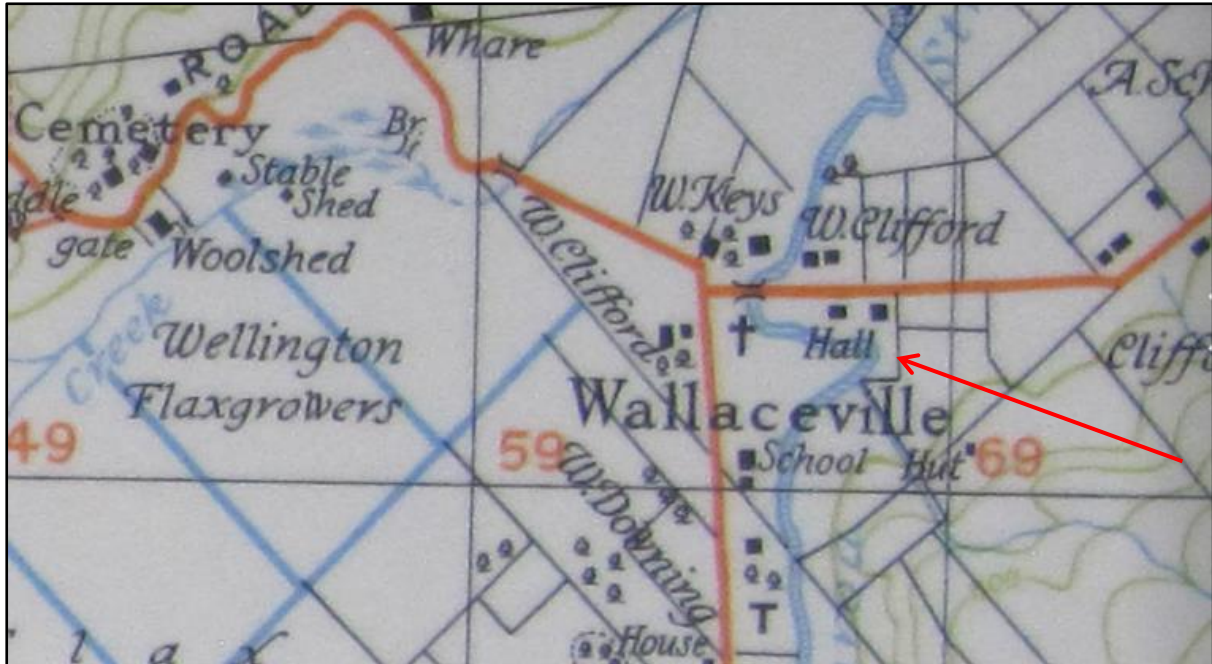
(Reference Paper past website Evening Post newspaper 06 May 1926 page 4)

New Zealand Times newspaper 06 & 11 May 1926

Hutt County Council – Mangaroa Riding – Wallaceville Hall Wallaceville

(Reference Paper past website New Zealand Times newspaper 06 May 1926 page 3 & Otaki Mail 07 May 1926 page 3)

Wallaceville Hall 1929



Evening Post newspaper 28 April 1932

Hutt County Council - Notice of day of election of three representatives to the Hutt Valley Electric Power Company. And as there are only three vacancies to be filled a Poll will be taken as between the said Candidates in Wednesday the 11th day of May 1932 at the following polling places. Wallaceville Hall Wallaceville

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 28 April 1932 page 3 & Hutt News 04 May 1932)

Evening Post newspaper 10 May 1932

Hutt County Council - Notice of day of election one member to the Wellington Hospital Board. And as there is only one vacancy to be filled a Poll will be taken as between the said Candidates in Wednesday the 11th day of May 1932 at the following polling places. Wallaceville Hall Wallaceville

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 10 May 1932 page 2)

Upper Hutt Weekly Review newspaper 09 October 1936

Opening Night of Robinson's Dance at the Wallaceville Hall on Saturday 10 October at 8 pm sharp. Good Orchestra – Good Supper – Monte Carlos. Come along and have a good time. No bigger or better turn out for 1/- in New Zealand. Bring your friends. 1/- All Round

(Reference Paper past website Upper Hutt Weekly Review newspaper 09 October 1936 page 4)

Upper Hutt Weekly Review newspaper 23 October 1936

Over the Hill Dance Club

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(Reference Paper past website Upper Hutt Weekly Review newspaper 23 October 1936 page 4)

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The last newspaper article recording the Wallaceville Hall also known as Sparrow Hall was in October 1936. I have been unable to locate any information about the Hall after this date.

Around 1954 as a young child I remember driving pass the area in our family car and noticing a derelict building. I had been told that there was a school and hall in the area but perhaps the derelict building may have been the ruins of an old cottage or farm shed but I always believed that it was the Wallaceville Hall.

It is unknown what happened to the hall. Does anyone know anything more about the Wallaceville Hall?

People associated with Wallaceville Hall aka Sparrow Hall

Ernest Edward BURRELL

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 10 June 1911

Clubs, Societies, Etc., Directory – Public Halls - Wallaceville Public Hall – Secretary E. E. Burrell
(Reference Papers Past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 24 June 1911 page 4)

0- Ernest Edward BURRELL born 1872 Matlock Victoria Australia died 15 March 1945 New Zealand married 1902 New Zealand **Constance AVERY** born 16 July 1876 Hut Valley New Zealand died 13 August 1972 Pahiatua New Zealand

#Ernest Edward BURRELL born 1872 Matlock Victoria Australia to parents Frances nee Beasley and John Frederick Burrell

#Ernest Edward BURRELL Mungaroa farmer 1897 Otaki Electoral Roll

#Ernest Edward BURRELL Mungaroa farmer 1899 Otaki Electoral Roll

#Constance AVERY born 16 July 1876 Hutt Valley New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1876folio website 1876/16205 parents Charlotte nee Tandy and George Avery

#Ernest Edward BURRELL Mungaroa farmer 1900 Otaki Electoral Roll

#Ernest Edward BURRELL married 1902 New Zealand Constance AVERY reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1902 folio 3659 website 1902/3699

#Ernest Edward BURRELL Mungaroa farmer 1902 Hutt Electoral Roll

#Ernest Edward BURRELL Mungaroa farmer 1903 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Ernest Edward BURRELL Wallaceville farmer 1905-1906 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Ernest Edward BURRELL Mungaroa farmer 1908 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Ernest Edward BURRELL Wallaceville farmer & Constance BURRELL Wallaceville married Upper Hutt 1911 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Ernest Edward BURRELL WW1 service number 86356
#Ernest Edward BURRELL Seddon Street Upper Hutt farmer & Constance BURRELL Seddon Street Upper Hutt married 1914 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Ernest Edward BURRELL Scarborough farmer & Constance BURRELL Scarnorough married 1914 Pahiatua Electoral Roll
#Ernest Edward BURRELL 324 Albert Street farmer & Constance BURRELL 324 Albert Street married 1943 Palmerston North Electoral Roll
#Ernest Edward BURRELL died 1945 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1945 folio website 1945/28746 age 73 born about 1872
#In memory of Ernest Edward BURRELL died 15th March 1945 aged 72 buried Pahiatua cemetery 1175 (backs on to No 1106) reference Ancestry website New Zealand cemetery transcriptions
#Constance BURRELL died 13 August 1972 Pahiatua New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1972 folio website 1972/41248 born 16 July 1876
0-1- Evelyn Jean BURRELL born 1908 New Zealand perhaps married 1933 NZ James REID)
 #Evelyn Jean BRRELL born 1908 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1908 folio website 1908/8819 parents Constance and Ernest Edward Burrell

Arthur Davis

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(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 19 May 1911 page 2)

0- Arthur DAVIS (not identified)

#Arthur Philip DAVIES Mangaroa farm labourer 1911 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Arthur Philip DAVIES Upper Hutt labourer 1919 Otaki Electoral Roll

Alexander Thomas GORRIE

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(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 19 May 1911 page 2)

0- Alexander Thomas GORRIE born 1887 New Zealand died 15 November 1962 Levin New Zealand married 1914 **Winifred Annie GEANGE** born 10 May 1894 New Zealand died 06 September 1973 Levin New Zealand

#Alexander Thomas GORRIE born 1887 reference RGO NZ birth registration 1887 folio website 1887/10226 parents Mary and James Gorrie
#Winifred Annie GEANGE born 10 May 1894 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1894 folio website 1894/235 parents Christina and John Geange
#Alexander Thomas GORRIE Mungaroa farmer 1911 Hutt Electoral Roll

#Alexander Thomas GORRIE Mungaroa farmer 1914 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Alexander Thomas GORRIE married 1914 Winifred Annie GEANGE reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1914 folio 2149
#Gorrie – Geange – On Wednesday 10 June there was a large gathering of friends and relatives at St John’s Anglican Church Trentham to witness the marriage of Winifred Annie eldest daughter of John Geange Upper Hutt to Alexander T second son of James Gorrie of Petone the Rev JH Sykes vicar officiating. The bride who was given away by her father was attended by her cousin Ruth Robinson (chief) and her sister Ira Geange as bridesmaid. The brothers of the bride Wallace and Arthur were best man and groomsman respectively. The brides dress was of Duchess Satin trimmed with swandown and pearls her veil being beautifully embroidered (the work of Mrs Sykes). The chief bridesmaid wore cream voile and the junior cream silk. A reception was held at the residence of the parents of the bride after the ceremony. The presents were numerous and valuable. The bridegroom’s present to the bride was a gold necklet set with garnet and pearls to the chief bridesmaid a gold French cable bangle and to the assistant bridesmaid a gold chain and pearl pendant. The newly wedded couple left for Christchurch on their honeymoon. It is understood that on their return from the South they will reside at Upper Hutt reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 20 June 1914 page 1
#Alexander Thomas GORRIE Mangaroa farmer & Winifred Annie GEANGE Whitemans Valley Upper Hutt married 1919 Hutt Electoral Roll
#Alexander Thomas GORRIE Wallaceville farmer & Winifred Annie GEANGE Wallaceville married 1960 Heretaunga Electoral Roll
#Alexander Thomas GORRIE died 1962 reference RGO NZ death registration 1962 folio website 1962/42831 age 76 years born about 1886
#Alexander Thomas GORRIE age 75 address Parsons Avenue Levin date 15 November 1962 buried Tiro Tiro cemetery Levin plot 71 block 18 Anglican identification number 2862
#Alexander Thomas GORRIE farmer Levin former Upper Hutt court Palmerston North filed date 28 May 1963 type Will reference Archives NZ Wellington Probate agency AAOY accession W3298 record 02271963 filed date 28 May 1963 type Will
#Winifred Annie GORRIE died 1973 reference RGO NZ death registration 1973 folio website 1973/34808 born 10 May 1894
#Winifred Annie GORRIE age 79 address 4 Parsons Avenue Levin date 06 September 1973 born New Zealand buried Tiro Tiro cemetery Levin plot 71 block 18 undertaker Harveys identification number 3841

- 0-1- Child not named stillborn 1915 New Zealand
#Child not named stillborn 1915 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1915 folio website 1915/3173 parents Winifred Annie and Alexander Thomas Gorrie
- 0-2- Jean Mary GORRIE born 1916 New Zealand
#Jean Mary GORRIE born 1916 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1916 folio website 1916/26117 parents Winifred Annie and Alexander Thomas Gorrie
- 0-3- Raeone Beth GORRIE born 1918 New Zealand
#Raeone Beth GORRIE born 1918 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1918 folio website 1918/10755 parents Winifred Annie and Alexander Thomas Gorrie
- 0-4- Gordon Alexander GORRIE born 1922 New Zealand
#Gordon Alexander GORRIE born 1922 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1922 folio website 1922/15356 parents Winifred Annie and Alexander Thomas Gorrie

W GREIG

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0- W GREIG (not identified)

#William GREIG Upper Hutt engine driver 1911 & 1914 Hutt Electoral ROLL

#William James GREIG Upper Hutt clerk 1911 & 1914 Hutt Electoral ROLL

Charles Frederick WEST

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0- Charles Frederick WEST born 23 May 1876 Palmerston North New Zealand died 26 November 1918 Hawera New Zealand married 1902 New Zealand **Emma STERN** born 1880 died 1951 Auckland New Zealand

#Charles Frederick WEST born 23 May 1876 Palmerston North New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1876 folio website 1876/7108 parents Emma and Henry West

#Charles Frederick WEST married 1902 New Zealand Emma STERN reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1902 folio 589 website 1902/6465

#Charles Frederick WEST Wallaceville engine driver & Emma WEST Wallaceville married 1908 Hutt Electoral Roll

#Charles Frederick WEST Wallaceville engine driver & Emma WEST Wallaceville married 1911 Hutt Electoral Roll

#Charles Frederick WEST died 1918 Hawera New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1918 folio website 1918/7958 age 42 born about 1876 (influenza pandemic)

#Deaths – WEST At Hawera on 26 November 1918 Charles Frederick dearly beloved husband of Emma West aged 42 years. Deeply regretted reference Papers past website Hawera & Normanby Star newspaper 27 November 1918 page 4

#Emma WEST married 1922 New Zealand Charles Frederick Victor ROBERTS (1892-1977) reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1922 folio website 1922/3852

0-1- Charles Hubert WEST born 24 October 1909 Petone New Zealand died 14 May 1938 Christchurch Canterbury New Zealand

#Charles Hubert WEST born 1909 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1909 folio website 1909/12626 parents Emma and Charles Frederick West

Mrs F WHITEMAN

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0- Mrs F WHITEMAN (not identified)

#Frances WHITEMAN Akatarawa farmer 1911 Hutt Electoral Roll

#Francis WHITEMAN Upper Hutt farmer 1911 & 1914 Hutt Electoral Roll

#Frank WHITEMAN Upper Hutt wagoner 1911 & 1914 Hutt Electoral Roll
