

Geoffry Benson McKinstry HULL family
1922 resident Silverstream & Section 81, 82 & 191 Silverstream

Geoffry Benson McKinstry HULL

B 30 October 1874 Blenheim Marlborough New Zealand

D 15 June 1954 New Zealand

M never married

Geoffry Benson McKirstry HULL born 1874 New Zealand to parents Margaret nee McKinstrey [sic] and William Frederick Hull.

(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1874 folio website 1874/43803 parents Margaret and William Frederick Hull)

Geoffry's parents were Margaret nee McKinstrey/McKinstry and William Frederick Hull who married 1862 in New Zealand. Geoffry siblings were Amy Elizabeth born 1863, William Pierce born 1865, Francis James born 1866, Meta Kate born 1868, Gerald Thomas Trevor born 1871 and Norah Alicia born 1872, all born in New Zealand.

(Reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1862 folio website 1862/3343 Margaret McKinstrey and William Frederick Hull)

Geoffrey Benson McKinstry HULL qualified to vote at 21 years of age on 30 October 1895.

1896 Parnell Electoral Roll Auckland

- Geoffrey Benson McKinstry HULL St George's Bay Road clerk residential
- Margaret HULL St George's Bay Road domestic duties residential [mother]
- Gerald Thomas Trevor HULL St George's Bay Road mariner residential [brother]
- Amy Elizabeth HULL St George's Bay Road governess residential [sister]
- Nora Alicia HULL St George's Bay Road teacher residential [sister]

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1899 & 1900 Hawera Electoral Roll

- Geoffrey Benson McKinstry HULL Hawera clerk residential

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1902 & 1903 & 1905-1906 Wellington North Electoral Roll (two entries)

- Geoffrey Benson McKinstry HULL 36 Tinakori Road accountant

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1905-1906 Wellington North Electoral Roll (two entries)

- Geoffrey Benson McKenstry HULL "Toreador House" Clifton Terrace accountant

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1908 & 1911 & 1914 Wellington North Electoral Roll

- Geoffrey Benson McKinstry HULL Clifton Terrace accountant

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

World War One New Zealand Field Artillery 1916

12704 2nd Lieutenant Geoffrey Benson HULL Accountant next of kin (brother) G T Hull Shipping Agent Wellington

(Reference Ancestry World War One Army Nominal Roll volume 2 January 1916 to 31 December 1916)

1919 Wellington North Electoral Roll

- Geoffrey Benson McKinstry HULL Clifton Terrace accountant

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1919 Wellington Suburbs Electoral Roll

- Geoffrey Benson HULL Seatoun accountant

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1922 Hutt Electoral Roll

- Geoffry Benson HULL Silverstream accountant
(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1925 Hutt Electoral Roll

- Geoffry Benson HULL Silverstream public accountant
(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1928 Otaki Electoral Roll

- Geoffry Benson HULL Silverstream accountant
(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1931 Otaki Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- Geoffry Benson HULL Silverstream accountant
(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

Upper Hutt Weekly Review newspaper 21 February 1936

Upper Hutt Police Court - Action for Trespass dismissed by Magistrate - The Upper Hutt Police Court was fairly well filled on Friday last when two cases were heard by the Magistrate Mr H P Lawry S.M. The first case was one in which two young men Clarence and Kenneth Callingham were charged with trespassing on the property of Mr Geoffrey Hull at Silverstream. Mr Hull stated that he had had to stop picnic parties and school children from crossing his property on their way to the bathing pool on account of damage caused by fire and had given instructions to his manager (Mr Ward) to warn all trespassers. No damage had been done by either of the young men concerned in the present charge but Mr Hull stated that if he allowed one person on his property he would have to allow others. Lawrence Ward manager for Mr Hull said that he had warned Clarence Callingham before and that he spoke to both men when they were on the property on 26 January. Kenneth Callingham left when spoken to but Clarence treated the matter as a joke and returned across the land after Mr Ward's warning. The case against Kenneth Callingham was dismissed the Magistrate remarking that he had left when told. Clarence Callingham stated in evidence that Mr Ward had spoken to him on the previous Sunday about trying to form a committee for the purpose of creating a Reserve near the pool in order to protect the privacy of Mr Hull's property. He had never been ordered off the property but after his conversation with Mr Ward went on over the land to the bathing pool. After hearing evidence for both sides the Magistrate dismissed the case against Clarence Callingham. Mr St. J Beere appeared for Mr Hull and Mr A Mazengarb for the defendants.

(Reference Papers past website Upper Hutt Weekly Review newspaper 21 February 1936 page 3)

Evening Post newspaper 15 February 1936

Dismissal by Magistrate – An action for trespass brought by Geoffrey Hull against two youths Clarence and Kenneth Callingham was heard before Mr H P Lawry SM in the Upper Hutt Court yesterday. Mr R St J Beere appeared for the informant and Mr A J Mazengard for the defendants. Geoffrey Hull the owner of the property at Silverstream said that the growth on his property destroyed by fire and about half an acres of his land washed away by flood waters of the Hutt River. He had had to prohibit the school children and picnic parties from passing over his property on the way to the bathing pool. If he let anyone on his ground he would be designed by others. The two youths had not done any damage. He had instructed the manager Mr Ward to warn trespassers. Lawrence Ward said that he had warned both youths. They were on the property on 26 January. Kenneth Callingham left when told but Clarence Callingham seemed to treat the matter as a joke and returned over the property after he had had a swim. He had warned Clarence before. The case against Kenneth Callingham was dismissed the Magistrate sating that he left the property when told. Clarence Callingham said in evidence that Mr Ward had spoken to him the previous Sunday about forming a committee for a reserve near the pool to protect the property. He was not ordered off the property on 26 January but went over to have a swim in the river after his conversation with Ward. The charge was then dismissed.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 15 February 1936 page 13)

Geoffry Benson McKinstry HULL employed Lawrence WARD as the manager for his property in Silverstream.

1935 Otaki Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- Geoffry Benson HULL Silverstream accountant
(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1938 & 1941 & 1943 Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- Geoffrey Benson HULL Silverstream accountant
(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

Evening Post newspaper 20 February 1943

Public Notice – Notice is hereby given that Dogs found Straying on my Property at Silverstream will be Destroyed – G.B. Hull.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 20 February 1943 page 4)

Press newspaper 22 January 1944

100,000 Trees Lost – A pinus insignis plantation of 100,000 trees belonging to Mr G B Hull of Wellington was destroyed in a fire at Pinehaven as was also part of the Tongue plantation of Goodwin and Chichester Ltd., where the trees are 16 years old. Mr Hull said that the trees in his plantation were of varying ages. He could not give an estimate of their value. The whole area will require constant watching for a week yet and it is not yet possible accurately to gauge the total extent of the fire loss. The Bond plantation of 200,000 was not affected.

(Reference Papers past website Press newspaper 22 January 1944 page 4)

1946 & 1949 Otaki Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- Geoffry Benson HULL Silverstream accountant
(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

09 August 1950 = Letter Ministry of Works to Department of Land and Survey

Re G B Hull's property Silverstream

This Department is at present negotiating for purchase of property containing 166 acres 0 rood 14.41 perches being part of Sections 81, 82 & 191 Hutt District owned by Mr G B Hull.

The property will be affected by the extension of the Hutt Valley Railways and also at some later date by motorway and highway proposals.

It is indefinite as to when the Department will enter on the property for constructing the railway but it will not be within the next 18 months and the motorway and highway proposals are quite indefinite.

Mr Hull employs a Manager to run the property and milks for the town supply. I understand the stock consists of two horses, 32 cows and young stock.

If the property is purchased it is proposed to hand it over to your Department to administer. It would of course be most desirable to keep the property in full production for as long as possible and it has therefor occurred to me that it may be preferable to purchase the stock and plant together with the property as a going concern rather than to have Mr Hull sell up his stock and plant and then have to re-stock the property. Possibly your Department might even desire to keep the Manager on the place in your employ.

Only a small portion of the property will be required for railway purpose and it may be that thereafter it could be farmed as a single unit until such time in the future as it is further affected by any proposed works. I am not in a position to say yet whether the property will be workable as an independent farm after the railway has been constructed.

Will you kindly consider the question as to whether you think the stock and implements should be purchased with the property and the Manager kept on.

As this question affects the negotiations with Mr Hull I should be glad of a reply as soon as possible

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington AAMX W3529 6095 box 70 22/4988 1 Hutt Valley extension G B Hull part section 81, 82 & 91 Hutt District 1950-1964)

27 September 1950 = Commissioner of Works to Department of Lands and Survey (brief)

I have to advise an agreement has now been reached with Mr Hull for the purchase of his property and settlement will take place in the near future.

The purchase includes the high pressure pump and motor on the property but does not include the milking machine or any other plant or machinery and also does not include any of the stock.

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington AAMX W3529 6095 box 70 22/4988 1 Hutt Valley extension G B Hull part section 81, 82 & 91 Hutt District 1950-1964)

27 September 1950 = Rehabilitation Department to Department of Lands and Survey (brief)

Mr Scott examined property regarding the establishment of a temporary ex-serviceman share-milker, Mr G Cottle chairman of Wellington Rehabilitation Farming committee inspected property opinion was that the property could not be utilised because / new highway to Upper Hutt bisect the section adjoining St Patricks College / three houses on property are tenanted / milking plant not in good condition / Wairarapa Railway line also bisect a portion of the farm / access to areas has not been considered

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20 October 1950 = Department of Lands and Survey memorandum (brief)

Three houses on property, one occupied by Mr Hutt, one by the Manager, last one by a private family. Department will not be taking over Mr Hull's stock and plant. Suggestion that ex-serviceman J Brant butcher of Upper Hutt lease property for grazing

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington AAMX W3529 6095 box 70 22/4988 1 Hutt Valley extension G B Hull part section 81, 82 & 91 Hutt District 1950-1964)

31 October 1950 = Department of Lands and Survey memorandum (brief)

Question of Mr Hull carrying on for 18 months on property but owing to his advancing age and health he was desirous of disposing all of his interests in the property.

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Crown took possession of the property on 01 December 1950

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09 December 1959 = Ministry of Works (brief)

Proclamation NZ Gazette 28 May 1959 No 31 page 683 areas totalling 166 acres 0 roods 14.41 perches were taken for better utilization. The land formerly owned by G B Hull and a total compensation paid was £18,750. Portion of the said land has been set aside for railway purpose (Hutt Valley Duplication) and a substantial area is occupied by the Department of Agriculture and an area of approximately 26 acres is now surplus to Department requirements.

An assessment of the original purchase price of £18,750 indicates that flat land for a depth of two chains from the highway was valued at £400 per acre other flat land at £150 per acre and hill land £5 per acre.

An area of approximately 26 Acres referred to above contains approximately 1½ acres of the best flat land approximately 6 acres of the second class flat land and approximately 18½ acres of the hill land making a block value of the total area approximately £1,600.

An area approximately 1 acres 2 rood 10 perches being portion of the above land is leased to Mallaby Mills Limited and the balance is required by the Hutt County Council and the Upper Hutt Borough Council jointly as a controlled rubbish dump.

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Geoffrey Benson McKinstry HULL age 79 years died 15 June 1954 New Zealand. He was buried in Karori cemetery Wellington.

(Reference RGO death registration 1954 folio website 1954/34974 age 79 born circa 1875)

Geoffrey Benson HULL left a will appointing trustees Thomas Geoffrey Hull & Kay Errol Shaw & Fredric Henry Harris - deceased bequeathed 500 pounds towards the erection of an Anglican church in Silverstream – his Godchildren Ethel Meta Hewick wife of Colonel Hewick of England 200 pounds – Vida Sladden daughter Hubert Sladden of Lower Hutt 200 pounds - to Peter Sutton son of George Oswald Sutton 200 pounds – nephew Arthur Francis Hull his heirlooms

HULL miscellaneous information

Lawrence Patrick WARD managed the farm in Silverstream for Geoffry Benson HULL.

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0- Lawrence Patrick WARD born 16 July 1915 New Zealand died 1991 New Zealand married 1941 New Zealand Doris Mabel LESTER born 01 November 1920 place unknown died 2008 New Zealand (Kelvin William Francis Jones 1926-2015)

#Lawrence Patrick WARD born 1915 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1915 folio website 1915/15821 parents Josephine and Thomas Lawrence Ward

#Lawrence Patrick WARD 21 Carrington Street compositor 1938 Wellington South Elect Roll

#Lawrence Patrick WARD married 1941 New Zealand Doris Mabel LESTER reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1941 folio website 1941/3359

#Lawrence Patrick WARD 2/90A Ararino Street compositor 1978 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Lawrence Patrick WARD died 1991 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1991 folio website 1991/53276 born 16 July 1915

#Doris Mabel JONES died 2008 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 2008 folio website 2008/14707 born 01 November 1920
