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Our TWA issue features archive news, including new NSW Arcos Centenary webpages, and an update to the NSW Government Employees Death Notices 1914-1919 and Fallen Soldiers Index. We also have a look at the Government Photographers Collection, Sydney Harbour Bridge photo series, Government Records Repository photographs, and Tigerpaw Lands.

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Online news

New webpages: NSW Arcos Centenary

Frances Holman ceremoniously lifts the Rainbow Arch on Kent Street, c. 1914. Photo: State Archives NSW, 4K 1000

As part of the New South Wales Centenary of World War I and Anzac commemorative program taking place between August 2014 and November 2018, State Records NSW has created a new webpage for the Rainbow Arch, Kent Street, Sydney. The Rainbow Arch was a Sydney landmark erected in 1916 to celebrate Australian troops who had left for the South Pacific during the last year.

Since our last issue of Nov&Then, we have added the following web pages:

- Commemoration of the Commencement of the War
- Sydney Harbour Trust Reminiscences
- Government Printing Office Anniversaries
- Government Printing Office returned soldiers' stats
- Department of Agricultural Reminiscences
- Various Cross Writers (from outside NSW)
- Various Cross Writers (from NSW)
- Recruitment Inspectors - Part 1 & Part 2

Index update: NSW Government Employees Granted Military Leave, 1914-1919

AIF Pilots Departing Australia on H.M.T. Euripides, 1916. Photo: State Archives NSW, 4K 1000

Don't forget that our index of the Carrington Albums will on display at an reading room at the Western Sydney Records Centre.

New library additions

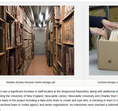
State Records NSW holds a large collection of information resources in its library, including a wide range of formats such as books, journals, CD-ROMs, DVDs, and videos. Below are some of the new items added to our collection. Contact Reading Room staff for assistance with the **NSW Union Public Access Catalogue** and **Archives Authority catalogue** before visiting.

Our library is always expanding as new material is acquired through selection and through donations and donations. The latest books acquired include:

Bodies of - Island images at Darlinghurst Gaol / Deborah Beck ; National Art School. Darlinghurst, NSW : National Art School, 2014	Donation
Fitness for a release : journal of the Cooper's Lake on the Coast Adventure Therapies / PTR-PRP Classic Fitness. [Sydney] : PTR-PRP Classic Fitness, [date unknown] ; Coogee, South Coast : Kerry Jones, 2014 - 2014 Half Fitness, 2014	Donation
Dragon from the Sea / Kerry Greenwood. Melbourne, VIC : Allen & Unwin, 2014	Donation
Sydney Harbour Bridge / Ian Hoskins. Sydney : Hoskins Publishing, 2014	Donation
Ryde goes to war : WW1 NSW / Ryde District Historical Society. Ryde, NSW : Ryde District Historical Society, 2015	Donation
"Three cooperative diggers" : World War I, 1914-1918 and other conflicts / NSW RSL War Audit Mobile Phone personnel. Ellen V Fraser ; [Lane Cove, NSW] : Ellen Fraser, 2015	Donation
Sydney Harbour Bridge : Private John Lawrence Wall Wartime Cross wrapped / from : Ron Edwards ; Ron Edwards.	Donation
Service and sacrifice : Schwarzer Stein anniversary WW1 NSW / Kerrie Hartley, Susanne Hurst	Donation
Managing information in organisations : a practical guide to implementing an information management system / Stephen Dalton. London : Springer, 2014.	Donation
A Long road to Kent / Digger : the heroes on Kerrie's Rd need your prayers and a figure and dates for their commemoration / from Ron Edwards and WW1 NSW / Kerrie Hartley, Ron Edwards ; Ron Edwards.	Donation
Last service keepers : Carolina Overington, Sydney. Potts[author], 2014	Donation

Spotlight on: Collection Documentation Backlog project

During 2014-15 a Collection Documentation Backlog project was run at State Records using dedicated funds. The project aimed to reduce the existing collection documentation backlog while making progress in the creation of a new backlog of items.



Advocate Inspector, Bulmer Square Public School, Photo: NRS 12755, 2/4/1936

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It was fascinating to note a change in the admission registers in the early 1970s. The final column of each student's entry records where the student was discharged to, and in the early years this was almost always to a job, or to another school. In the mid-1970s, students were increasingly being discharged to TAFE, to "college" or to "uni", and later to other secondary schools, as a result of the introduction of the family retention. The change is especially marked for female students.

The project was completed in great success and by 30 June 2015 an additional **200 Agencies**, **400 Series** and **651,000 Items** were made available to the public in the catalogue and beyond.

Actual Results

The first task was to register State archives that were created in schools and transferred since 1916. More than one hundred and eighty series were created and registered in the first year of the project. The Department of Education and Training (DET) transferred many thousands of boxes of student and teacher records, and also school and high schools accounts files. These have been the mainstay of the collection ever since. Although the end of the last century, the work on providing a wealth of information about the individual students attending schools in NSW during this period, these State archives fill other gaps in the development and changes in education in the State.

Tank Garden school, Cronulla, Form NRS 20997, 1970

Deer park, Cronulla, Form NRS 20997, 1972

Initial scenario may contain: general administration, school accounts, school registers, school reports, student enrolments, student teachers, student teachers' reports, teachers' reports, teachers' registers, teachers' reports, teachers' registers, teachers' reports, teachers' registers