

THE EVENDEN MEMORIAL

UNVEILING ON 18th OCTOBER

The appeal for funds towards a memorial to the late C. M. Evenden, who lost his life in an effort to save a schoolgirl from drowning at the Oxley ferry, was launched some months ago, and it has now been decided to close same.

There has been a splendid response by the public to this worthy object, and the committee desires to thank those who contributed and others who helped or assisted in many ways to bring it to such a successful issue. The amounts donated totalled a little over £100, and this fine response enabled the committee to obtain a memorial suitable to the occasion.

The committee considered a large number of designs, and they decided to accept one submitted by Messrs. J. J. Edstein and Sons, of Taree, who agreed to do the work at practically cost price, so that the full value of the money collected could go into the memorial.

The memorial is a spire monument design in trachyte, with polished face, axed ledger and kerbing, and rock faced, suitably inscribed.

Messrs. Edstein and Sons have now completed the work, and it has been decided that the unveiling ceremony shall take place at the Mitchell's Island cemetery on Saturday the 18th October, 1930 at 1.30 p.m. sharp. Mr. L. O. Martin, M.L.A., will perform this ceremony, and the shire president (Cr. H. Milligan) will preside. The dedication ceremony will be conducted by the Rev. V. T. Smith. Short addresses will also be delivered by other speakers.

The committee invite the public of the Manning River district to be present at this notable ceremony, and it is hoped that a large number will be present, as it is considered to be one of the most important and notable events in the history of this district.