

# Pioneer Jane Adams Honoured.

## Lt. GOVERNOR OPENS MEMORIAL GATES at Nungarin

As a tribute to the memory of the real pioneers, the original settlers in the Nungarin and Eastern Districts, the present day residents of these districts erected wrought iron Memorial Gates at the entrance to the Agricultural Hall Grounds in Nungarin. At the request of the Nungarin Road Board, the Lt.-Governor, Sir James Mitchell performed the official opening ceremony on Nungarin's Show Day, September 23rd. The gates are erected as memorial to the late Mrs. Jane Adams

Had she been alive today, the late Mrs. Jane Adams would have been 91 years of age. She died about two years ago and her passing was mourned by everyone in the district. To many of the present day settlers she had been, in the early days of the settlement of the district, about thirty years ago, a very real friend.

Addressing a large gathering, prior to the opening ceremony, Sir James paid a great tribute to the late Mrs. Adams whom, he said he had known very well. He was glad to see that the memory of this great woman was suitably honoured. He had met her first in 1892 when he paid his first visit to the district. She and her family had settled in the district over sixty years ago; before there was either railway or roads. At that time their nearest source of supplies was Guildford to which centre they journeyed twice a year, taking down loads of sandalwood. Mrs. Adams and her family battled on without any of the

family battled on without any of the conveniences of life as we know them today. Their nearest doctor was over one hundred miles away and horses were the only transport. In 1909 when the district was opened up for settlement Mrs. Adams gave assistance whenever she could to the new settlers. The calls on her were very great in those days. He, Sir James, hoped that the gates would serve as a reminder to the people of the district that they owed a duty to one another and to their neighbours. He congratulated the Road Board on having decided to take over the charge and care of the gates.

Sir James was introduced to the gathering by Mr. J. Jolly, chairman of the Nungarin Road Board, who said that he considered that not sufficient recognition was given to the wonderful work done by the pioneers of the outbacks districts of the State. He paid tribute to the invaluable assistance and encouragement given by the late Mrs. Adams to the new settlers on their arrival in the district. He gave instances of some of the occasions when Mrs. Adams and her family went out of their way to give help and contrasted this with the attitude of the pioneers in other States who refused to help new settlers and had even tried to discourage them. The people of the district were proud to welcome Sir James and proud that he had agreed to honour them by performing the opening ceremony.

At the conclusion of the ceremony a vote of thanks to the Lt. Governor was proposed by Mr. M. F. A. Williams, who pointed out that the whole

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of the district had joined, by suo-  
scriptions, in paying tribute to their  
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