

STAR THEATRE (Kalinga)

AUSTRALIAN VARIETY THEATRE ARCHIVE: RESEARCH NOTES
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aka **Kalinga Picture Palace / Kalinga Picture Theatre / Kalinga Theatre**

(ca. 1920 -early 1960s). Lodge Street (corner of Dawson Street)

An open-air picture theatre likely operated in Kalinga from at least September 1920. The earliest reference found to date is in an electoral advertisement published on 4 October that year. Initially known as the Kalinga Picture Palace (aka Kalinga Pictures) it was renamed the Star Theatre sometime between late-1925 and early-1926, and from 1929 was fully enclosed. Because its patrons mostly comprised locals, films were not always screened every night of the week and hence the venue was often utilised by community groups and nearby schools. The extent to which the venue presented live entertainment is currently unknown due very limited programme advertising in the metropolitan newspapers. The building, which reportedly seated between 400 and 500 people, was destroyed by fire in the early 1960s and replaced by a service station.



Star Theatre, ca. 1937

Source: Windsor and Districts Historical Society.

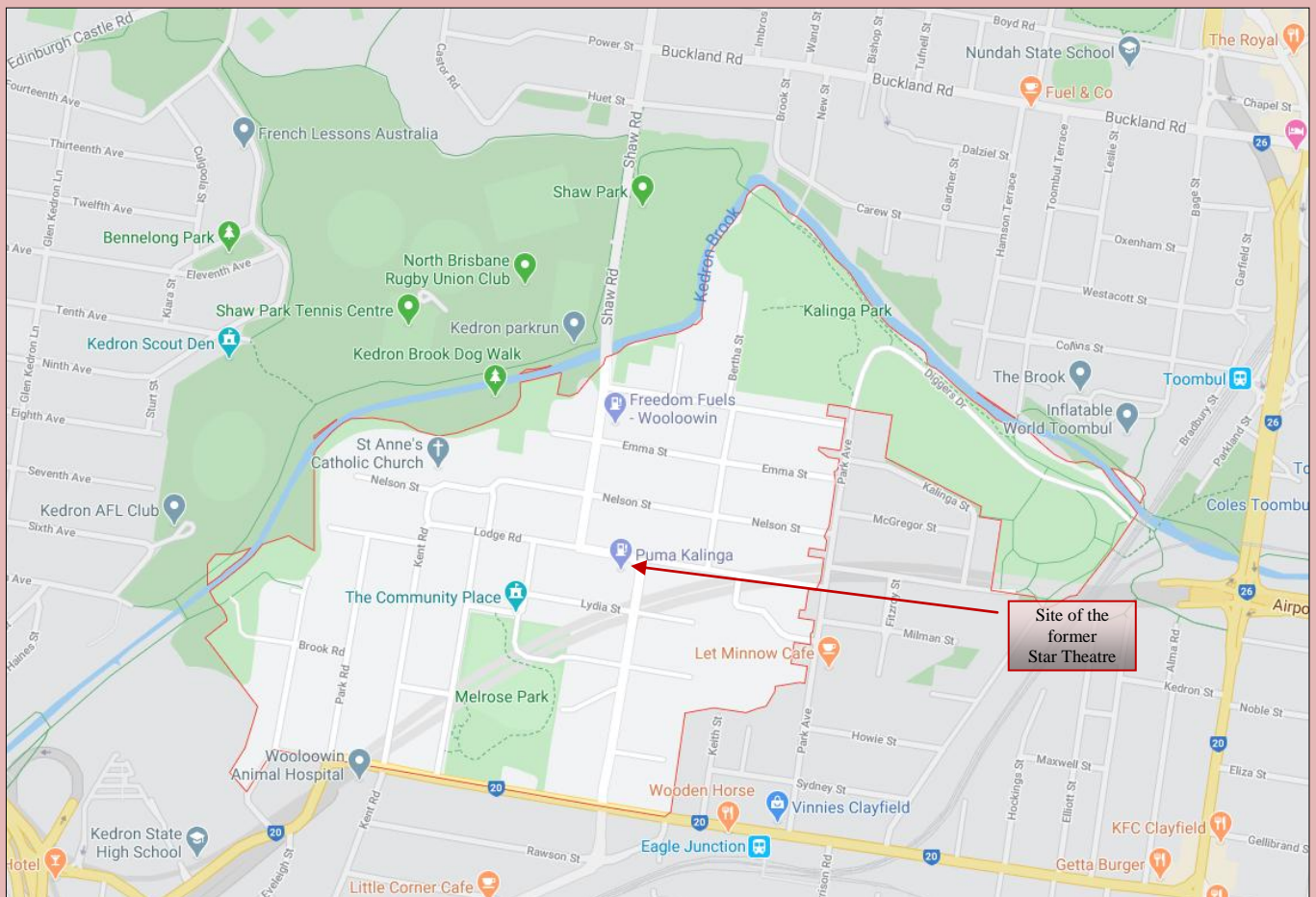
- 1920:** The 4 October electoral advertisement noted above appears in the *Daily Standard* newspaper (page 8) in order to announce a series of speeches to be given by the Labor party's endorsed candidate for Windsor, Mr H. G. McPhail. The Kalinga Picture Palace was one of two venues to be utilised that same night.
- 1926:** The name Star Theatre is mentioned in connection with Kalinga as early as 6 March 1926. It is included in a list of Queensland cinemas showing Paramount films that appear in the *Brisbane Courier* (9).
- 1929:** Major renovations were undertaken on the building. One of the improvements was a roof.
- 1931:** After being closed for several months in mid-1931, the Star reopened in early November with RCA sound equipment thereby allowing it the ability to screen talkies.
- 1937:** From late-August the management trialled operating the theatre as a skating rink. However, a submission to the council the following year to operate as a fulltime skating rink was rejected on the grounds that the venue was in a residential area.
- 1940-:** From the early to mid-1940s the venue was also sometimes referred to simply as the Kalinga Theatre
- 1960s:** Kedron High School reportedly used the theatre to put on children's Amateur Hour shows.¹

¹ Ctd. Kathryn Potter. See "Old Brisbane Album" in "Historical Notes and Corrections" below.

- Evidence from research undertaken by the AVTA into suburban picture houses operating around Australia during the early to mid-twentieth century suggests that entertainers would have been engaged to perform live at the Kalinga Palace/Star Theatre (especially during the 1920s). This may have been on an irregular, semi-regular or regular basis. It is also likely that any performers engaged would have been locals - either from within the broader metropolitan community or from the immediate and nearby districts.
- The proprietors identified to date were: Stanley Elliot (mid-1920s), G.A. Felsman (ca. 1937), W. Woodrck (ca. 1943), J.W. McConville (1949-1951), and R. Crane (1954-1957).² A Mrs Lombardi has also been identified as running the theatre with Crane.³
- The *Cinema and Theatre Historical Society of Australia Inc* (CATHS) indicates that the theatre's seating capacity changed over time. The numbers given are 400 (1937), 500 (1949-1951) and 450 (1954-1957).⁴
- Ken Carmichael (*Old Brisbane Album*⁵) writes that Mobil established the first service station on the site. It is now part of the Puma Energy group.

Kalinga: A Brief History to World War II:

Kalinga is a small suburb located roughly eight kilometres north of the Brisbane central business district. It is surrounded to the east by the suburb of Clayfield and the locality of Toombul, to the south by Eagle Junction, Woolloowin and Lutwyche, to the west by Kedron, and to the north by Nundah and Wavell Heights. In all Kalinga measures only about one square kilometre. Although its name has been associated with the area from at least the early-1900s, it was at various times considered part of Clayfield, Eagle Junction and/or Woolloowin. Indeed, in 1900 the Clayfield Progress Association attempted to have that suburb's name changed to Kalinga (as well as having the Eagle Junction and Clayfield railway stations renamed Kalinga and Kalinga East respectively).⁶



The suburb of Kalinga, 2020.

² "Star Theatre," n. pag.

³ Ctd. Kathryn Potter. See *Old Brisbane Album* in "Historical Notes and Corrections" below.

⁴ "Star Theatre," n. pag.

⁵ See "Historical Notes and Corrections" below for more insights from the *Old Brisbane Album* Facebook chatgroup.

⁶ See for example: "The Rechristening of Clayfield: Kalinga Adopted." *Brisbane Courier* 28 June 1900, 6; "Clayfield and Eagle Junction." *Brisbane Courier* 31 July 1900, 7; and "Clayfield Progress." *Telegraph* 1 Aug. 1900, 7.

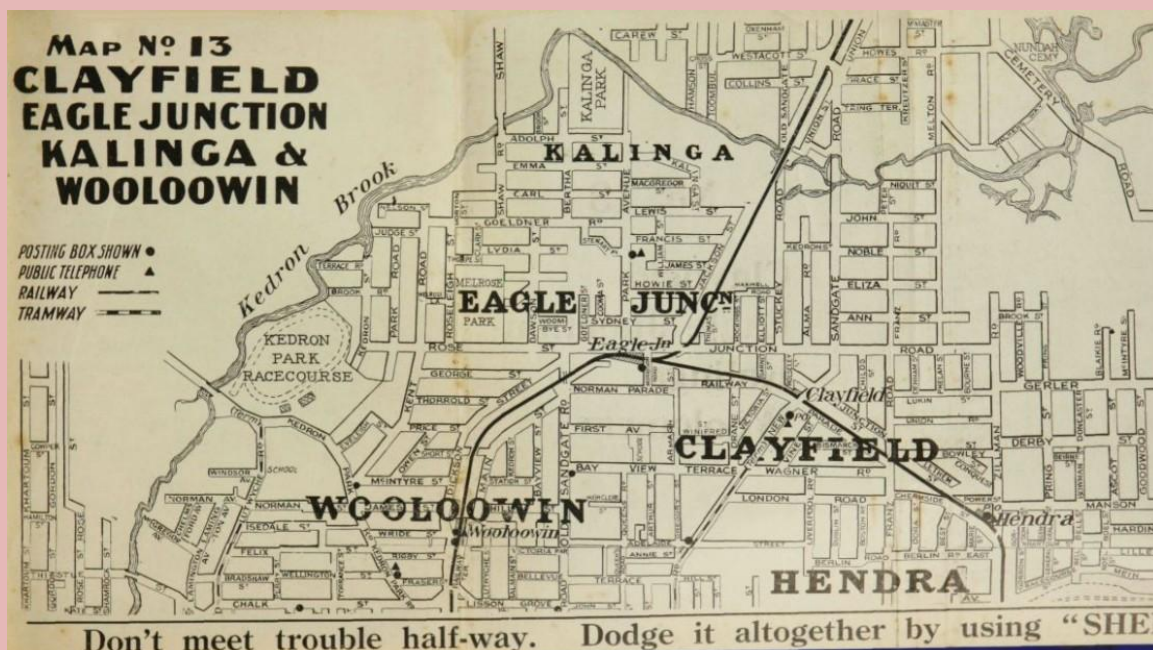
Kalinga's identity can be traced back to the early 1860s. It was not until the boundaries for Brisbane suburbs were gazetted in 1975, however, that it became officially recognised as an "unbounded locality." Long time local residents then had to wait in October 2015 for Kalinga to become a suburb in its own right.⁷

The major thoroughfares running through or along the Kalinga boundary are Rose Street/Junction Road (formerly Station Road), Dawson Street, Park Road and Shaw Road. Although there is no shopping precinct in Kalinga, a few small businesses are currently scattered around the Lodge Road and Shaw Road area. In the past more shops were located on both these roads, and as noted above, the local cinema operated from the corner of Lodge Road and Dawson Street.

Prior to white settlement the area was a part of the traditional lands and hunting grounds of the Turrbal - a tribe within the Jagera (or Yugara) people.⁸ The Jagera were custodians of the territories which stretched from what we now know as Moreton Bay to the base of the Toowoomba ranges, and included areas that now incorporate the cities of Brisbane, Ipswich and the town of Gatton. The Turrbal people could be said to be the traditional custodians of the lands stretching from the coast, north to Petrie, south to the Logan River and as far west as Moggill.⁹ The name Kalinga is said by some to be Anglicised from the Turrbal or Jagera word "Ngalinnga" (meaning "belonging to us") but this has never been confirmed.¹⁰

White settlement in the area began in 1838 after the New South Wales colonial government granted a group of some twenty German Lutheran missionaries 650 acres¹¹ of land to the north of the Eagle Farm settlement. They founded the Zion Hill Mission which led to the area becoming known, initially, as Zion.¹² The nearby stream was named Kedron Brook (a biblical reference to the Kidron Valley near Jerusalem), and in turn was later adopted as the name of a nearby suburb. The mission met with limited success in terms of converting the local Aborigines and by the mid-1840s was closed at the behest of the colonial government. Part of the Zion Hill Mission area was later incorporated into Kalinga Park.

In 1855 Englishman George Bridges (1820-1898) acquired 64 acres of land in the area¹³ and over the next couple of decades was one of the leading pioneers to found the commercial centre that later became known as Nundah. During that time, however, the area was known as German Station. The aboriginal word "nundah" (meaning "chain of water holes") was given to the local railway station in 1882. Nundah effectively became the official name of the community when a post office was established nearby in 1888.



Harris' Street and Road Directory, 1917.

⁷ DePinto, Dannielle. "Kalinga Officially Recognised as a Suburb." *Courier Mail* (Brisbane) 20 Oct. 2015, n.pag.

⁸ Also written as Yagarr, Yaggera, Yuggara, and Yuggera among other combinations.

⁹ The traditional owners of (the wider Brisbane) area referred to it as "Mianjin" (or "Meanjin"), and hence identified themselves by that name. Turrbal was the dialect they spoke, but it is now more commonly used to refer to the tribe.

¹⁰ See "Historical Notes and Corrections" below for some insight into this issue.

¹¹ 263 hectares.

¹² The mission was located in the area now known as Walkers Way (adjacent to Toombul Shopping Centre on the eastern side).

¹³ 26 hectares. The tunnel that forms part of the Nundah Bypass is named in his honour. For more details relating to Bridges see a copy of the 2001 "Letter to the Department of Main Roads from the Nundah & Districts Historical Society" at *Dead Centre of Queensland* [sighted 11 Mar. 2020].

While the railway line had instrumental in the gradual development of local industry near the station, the area to the south running along Kedron Brook became a largely agricultural district. Part of it was eventually declared a water reserve and became popular with local sporting clubs and recreational swimmers. However, it was not until September 1910 that the area was officially opened as Kalinga Park.¹⁴ A pavilion for musical and other purposes was later erected and cricket pitch laid. In 1909 and 1911 land between the park and Eagle Junction railway station was subdivided and sold as residential blocks. This was an important stage in the subsequent development of the area.

Population growth in Kalinga eventually led to small businesses springing up around the main thoroughfares of Lodge and Shaw roads. The arrival of the Kalinga Picture Palace in 1920 was no doubt in response to the distances required by locals to attend other entertainments further away. A bus route to Kalinga began in 1926, and in 1929 a tram service started. This was made possible after a branch-line was diverted from the city to Chermerside route at the corner of Lutwyche and Park roads. The tram ran all the way to a terminus in Shaw Road.



Presbyterian and Anglican churches were opened in 1928 and 1934. From 1930 to 1989 the Catholic Church in Nelson Street operated a Franciscan Sisters of Mercy mission at Kedron Lodge, the now heritage-listed Colonial Gothic house built in 1860 for Judge Alfred Lutwyche.

Left: **Kedron Lodge**
123 Nelson Street

Below: **Soldiers' Honours Gates,**
Kalinga Park

In 1920 the Soldiers Honour Gates were opened at Kalinga Park (Park Avenue entrance) and for a time the grounds were known as Anzac Memorial Park. During World War II land adjacent to the railway line was used as a military staging camp, while a large portion of the area west of Shaw Road was used by the Australian Special Wireless Group.



Another prominent community space in Kalinga is Melrose Park, which has been used for many purposes, including sports events, since at least the 1914. The park is known to have been a prominent venue for the Brisbane Lacrosse competition at that time. A bowling green and club was established in the north-east corner of Melrose Park in 1945.



Australian Special Wireless Group, Camp Kalinga (ca. 1943-1945).

This aerial photograph also shows Kedron Brook (top) and the Shaw family homestead (top right corner). Shaw Road (out of shot) is located to the left. The army staging camp was located to the left of Shaw Road (closer to Sandgate Road).

Courtesy of Nundah and Districts Historical Society.

¹⁴ Toombul Shire Council acquired the land in 1909 ("[Kalinga.](#)" *Brisbane Courier* 23 Oct. 1909, 4), and gave it an official opening on 3 September 1910 ("[Opening of Kalinga Park: A Successful Gathering.](#)" *Brisbane Courier* 5 Sept. 1910, 5).

Historical Notes and Corrections

1. **David Teague. "Star Theatre, Kalinga":** In his 2020 article on the theatre (*Windsor and Districts Historical Society Journal*) David Teague writes: "The earliest reference for a theatre that was found for Kalinga was 1925. It was called the Kalinga Theatre."

Evidence presented in this research notes biography argues on the other hand that the Kalinga Picture Palace was certainly operating by October 1920. And as an open-air theatre it may have possibly opened as soon as the weather was warm enough - perhaps in late-August or early-September that year. It is difficult to identify a precise opening date because the original proprietor saw no reason to advertise in any metropolitan newspapers. The logic behind this decision was based economics. The majority of patrons would have come from the local area, and hence a different (and cheaper) publicity strategy was required. As with most small suburban picture houses during the early to mid-twentieth century, the Kalinga Palace would have relied on word of mouth, posters and dodgers (flyers).

The 4 October 1920 advertisement in the *Daily Standard* newspaper provides indisputable evidence that the Kalinga Picture Palace had already begun operating by then.

An advertisement published in the 19 February edition of the *Brisbane Courier* further records that the Kalinga Picture Palace's address was Lodge Road (2). As Kalinga didn't exist as a suburb, Eagle Junction was used.

2. **Old Brisbane Album:**¹⁵ The following select conversations appear online in the Facebook page for the *Old Brisbane Album* chatgroup. They are in response to a query by Kevin Conway, President of the Nundah and Districts Historical Society, that he posted on 8 July 2019. Many thanks to those who participated in the discussion and for their invaluable insights.

- **Kevin Conway:** Looking to find out where the Kalinga and Wooloowin Theatres were located. A friend is doing a history of vaudeville and variety in North Brisbane and has come across mention of both theatres.
- **Kathryn Potter:** The Star Picture was situated on the corner of Lodge Road and Dawson Streets, Kalinga. I have no idea where the picture theatre at Wooloowin was situated but not surprised that there was one. Never even knew they had one, so this is news to me. Hope that helps.
- **Ken Carmichael:** As Kathryn says, the Kalinga (Star) Theatre was on Lodge Road, corner of Dawson Street. Was run by the Crane family, but burned down, and was replaced by a servo (was Mobil, but currently Puma). The Wooloowin (Royal) Picture Theatre was an open air theatre on Dickson St, but was gone long before my time.
- **Kathryn Potter:** Yep it certainly was run by the Crane family and a beautiful lady called Mrs Lombardi and I remember it all very well because I used to grab the cat and take it for a walk nightly and go around to the picture theatre and watch a movie and both Mr Crane and Mrs Lombardi used to let us in and sit the cat and I up the back row with my chips and bottle of coke until Dad came and got me. Good those were wonderful days and I can still remember it. Cliff Crane went on to become a fantastic vet both in Webster Road and later Ark Veterinary Surgery and now he and his lovely wife Glenys are living in New Zealand.
- **Windsor & Districts Historical Society:** There was the Star picture theatre as mentioned at corner Lodge Road and Dawson street at Kalinga which was demolished and replaced with a petrol station. The other theatre was Wooloowin Royal next to the train station on Dickson street but was demolished many years ago....
- **Peter Lucas:** The Picture Theatre at Kalinga burnt down in the early 60s and was replaced with a Petrol Station about 1960 or 1961 I remember going past it after the fire.
- **Kathryn Potter:** Yep the saddest day of our lives. Kedron High School used to put on Amateur Hours for us kids back in the 60s at the theatre and as I have already mentioned, I used to frequent there on any given night with my cat in toe to watch a movie. Mum and Dad went on occasions to watch the old time movies, so we were all devastated when it burnt down. I knew it had to be the 60s because I got my first car in the 70s and used to go to that garage for petrol every Saturday morning where you get driveway assistance. Not like it is now!!!!!!
- **Mary Rofe:** We held our school concert in the Kalinga theatre - must have been about 1959.

¹⁵ Click on "[Old Brisbane Album](#)" and then Kevin Conway's 8 July 2019 post to see more details and conversations.

Plan of KEDRON PARK

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 AT 2.30 SHARP



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ARTHUR MARTIN & CO
 IN CONJUNCTION WITH
G. T. BELL
AUCTIONEERS

Arthur Martin and Company, in conjunction with G. T. Bell, auctioneers, 1888
 Source: Henzell and Cameron Estate Maps Project, 2005. State Library of Queensland.
 The circled area eventually becomes the south-western portion of Kalinga.

3. **The origins of the name Kalinga:** It has long been accepted that the word Kalinga is an Anglicised version of an Aboriginal word. The contributor or contributors to the *Wikipedia* entry for the suburb indicate that this is a given, writing: "The name Kalinga derives from Aboriginal word Ngalinnga ("ngalin-nga"), probably from the Yuggera language, Turrbal dialect, meaning *belonging to us*."¹⁶ While it is possible that local white residents were made aware of the word by the community of Aborigines who lived in the area,¹⁷ how or why the name "kalinga" rather than "nalinga" is unclear.¹⁸

Kalinga appears to have been first mentioned publically in connection with the Kedron Brook area in mid-1900 following the Clayfield Progress Association's move to have it replace the suburb names Clayfield and Eagle Junction. Only one newspaper reference to Kalinga being an indigenous word has been found, however. This is in the 5 June 1900 edition of the *Telegraph*:

Three names have been selected for ballot for the proposed consolidated district of "Eagle Junction, Clayfield, the Sefton. Noble, and Islestown Estates, and part of Thorroltdown." It says little for the concentrated wisdom and the fertility of imagination that, of all the names sent in, nothing more novel and attractive than "Eagleton, Rosebank, and Kalinga" could be selected. "Kalinga" is the only native name, and signifies, "so it is said, "good or beautiful..."¹⁹

No further mention of an indigenous connection has been found again until the acquisition of the Kalinga reserve by Toombul Shire Council in 1909: "'Kalinga' is a native word, bearing the meaning "beautiful," and its application to the little park under notice is far from being inappropriate, as a visit will show."²⁰

No further mention of Kalinga's Aboriginal association appears to have been made public until 1930 when the *Brisbane Courier* published an article on Clayfield titled "Beautiful and Populous Suburb:" The writer recalls:

Had the residents been allowed their way, when some years ago a poll was taken on the matter, Clayfield, Hendra, and Eagle Junction would now be combined under the name Kalinga, which, according to Mr Archie Meston, of aboriginal fame, means "beautiful."²¹

Arguing against the Aboriginal derivation in 1932, is a letter published in the *Brisbane Courier* by a contributor identified only as "L.T. (Eagle Junction)." In response to some previous queries about the origins of places such as Telemon, Kalinga and Cordalba, he or she writes:

The words do not appear to have any association with native dialects. Telemon appears to have a Greek association. Kalinga was the Greek name of an ancient and wealthy province in India. It is mentioned by Pliny....²²

In more recent years, both *Queensland Places*, an online resource published by the Centre for Queensland Government, at the University of Queensland,²³ and the Queensland Department of Natural Resources' *Queensland Place Names Search*²⁴ have taken a more circumspect approach, noting that Kalinga is "reportedly derived from the Aboriginal word Ngalinnga." Their hesitancy in ascribing an Aboriginal origin is likely due to a lack of definitive evidence which either proves or disproves the connection. Compounding the issue is the fact that the word "Kalinga" appears in numerous articles, reports and public notices published in Australia from at least 1860 - most of which have no obvious relationship to any Aboriginal language. This opens up the possibility that the idea of adopting the word could just as easily come from other sources.

¹⁶ "Kalinga." *Wikipedia*. [sighted 13/3/2010] Interestingly, this entry's explanation of the meaning of the word differs quite markedly from that given in the *Telegraph* 5 June 1900 [citation below].

¹⁷ Several newspaper articles and reports from the early-1900s draw attention to corroborees that were sometimes held in the vicinity of Kedron Brook. See for example "Brisbane's Suburban Beauties." *Brisbane Courier* 17 Nov. 1906, 13; and "Queensland's First Judge was Founder of Lutwyche." *Courier-Mail* 17 June 1950, 2.

¹⁸ The central Victorian locality of Nalinga (between Shepparton and Benalla) is also likely derived from an Aboriginal word.

¹⁹ "Points." *Telegraph* 5 June 1900, 4.

²⁰ "Kalinga." *Brisbane Courier* 23 Oct. 1909, 4.

²¹ "Beautiful and Populous Suburb." *Brisbane Courier* 30 Aug. 1930, 21. Archibald Meston (1851-1924) was a journalist, civil servant and explorer. His proposals for improving the quality of life of Aborigines in Queensland were embodied in the Aborigines Protection Act of 1897. From January 1898 to 1903 was protector of Aborigines for southern Queensland. There is an entry on Meston's *Wild Australia* variety-style show in the AVTA. For further information on him see S.E. Stephens. "Meston, Archibald (1851-1924)." *Australian Dictionary of Biography* 5 (1974). [sighted 13/3/2010]

²² "Answers." *Brisbane Courier* 2 June 1932, 14. The work that L.T. refers to is *The Natural History of Pliny* which was written by Roman author, naturalist and philosopher Pliny the Elder (ca. AD 23-79). The Kalinga (which Pliny refers to as Calingae) were a major tribe from an historical region on the Indian subcontinent that lay on the east coast of the peninsula between the Mahanadi and the Godavari rivers. The Kalinga tribe are recorded as living in the region as early as the third century BCE. Volume Two of *The Natural History of Pliny* was first published in 1855 by Boston and Riley (London). See also *Kalinga Magha* (aka Magha the Tyrant) who is identified as the founder of the Jaffna kingdom (an historic part of Sri Lanka - formerly Ceylon).

²³ "Kalinga." *Centre for Queensland Government*. The University of Queensland, 2018 [sighted 13/03/2010]

²⁴ "Kalinga." *Queensland Place Names Search*. Queensland Department of Natural Resources, 2019. [sighted 13/03/2010]

Using Trove (the National Library of Australia's free digitised newspaper service), the word Kalinga seems to have first appeared in an Australian newspaper on 24 August 1860. In this respect, the *South Australian Advertiser's* "Public Notices," section (page 1) has Edward Dixon of South Rhine being identified under the "Real Property Act" as the owner of a property called "Kalinga."²⁵

The following are small selection of examples of how the word has appeared in Australian newspapers up until the early twentieth century.

- In 1862 Melbourne's *Leader* newspaper published an account by Sir James Emerson Tennant of his experiences in Ceylon during the early 1850s. In recalling his time in the vicinity of Bintenne in 1854 Tennant mentions a root which allowed one the ability to "hypnotise the deadly cobra."²⁶ The name of the root is given as Nayathalee Kalinga (which translates as the "root of the snake plant").
- Four years later (January 1866), another Melbourne newspaper published an article on weaving in India, with the author noting that some special muslin had been sent to Kosala as a present to the King of Kalinga.²⁷ Later that same year Sydney's *Empire* newspaper reported on the Coroner's inquest into a fire that destroyed Ashdown's Buildings. One of the people identified in the proceedings was a German man named Krolling who other witnesses knew as Kalinga.²⁸
- The first appearance of the word Kalinga in relation to Queensland was published interstate in January 1876 when a skeleton was found on a property named Kalinga Station.²⁹ The Indian region of Kalinga is also mentioned in an article that appeared in at least three Queensland newspapers in April that same year under the title "Buddha's Tooth."³⁰



Parts of Kalinga Park (foreground), Shaw Park and Mercer Park (background) looking west from the Clayfield and Toombul end.
Source: Wikipedia

²⁵ "Public Notices." *South Australian Advertiser* 24 Aug. 1860, 1. See the "Real Property Act" section. The South Rhine River was later renamed the Marne River. It is located in the catchment area of the Murray River (in the Barossa Ranges).

²⁶ "Pamboo-Kaloo, Or Snake-Stone: A remedy Against Venomous Wounds." *Leader* 11 Jan. 1862, 12.

²⁷ "Antiquity of Weaving in India." *Telegraph, St Kilda, Prahran and South Yarra Guardian* (Melbourne) 20 Jan. 1866, 3.

²⁸ "The Late Destructive Fire at Ashdown's Buildings, George and King Streets." *Empire* (Sydney) 29 Dec. 1866, 5.

²⁹ "Queensland. 8th January." *Age* 10 Jan. 1876, 3. The location of this station is yet to be identified. It is presently unclear if it has any relationship with a similarly named property near Laura in North Queensland that has been operating since at least the mid-1900s). All known reports of the skeleton come from interstate newspapers.

³⁰ "Buddha's Tooth." *Brisbane Courier* 8 Apr. 1876, 3.

• In 1880 the *Wagga Wagga Advertiser* identifies a New South Wales Parish (in the county of Cunningham) as being called Kalinga.³¹ Moncure D. Conway's lengthy letter to the *Australasian* in 1884 includes the following: "An interesting demon was Kalinga, the lion man, from whom traditionally sprang the Veddahs;"³² while a widely produced 1889 article, "The Buddha's Relics," sees Kalinga once again mentioned in relation to Ceylon.³³

• The 1890s saw the word continue to appear in a variety of different contexts. An 1890 death notice published in the *Brisbane Courier* for Anna O'Connell records, for example, that she passed away in Randwick, Sydney at a residence called Kalinga.³⁴ A thoroughbred race horse with the name is also known to have been active in New South Wales and Victoria in the latter half of the decade;³⁵ while a steam ship called Kalinga-Quindalap is recorded as having departed Newcastle at the end of January 1898 bound for Adelaide.³⁶

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WINDSOR ELECTION.
MR. H. C. M'PHAIL,
The Endorsed Labour Candidate, assisted by other prominent speakers, will address the Electors of Windsor as follows:—
TO-NIGHT (Monday), October 4.—
Albion, Albion Hall, Hon. J. A. Elhelly will speak; Kalinga, Picture Palace.
TUESDAY, October 5.—Windsor, near Railway Station, opposite Dimmock's Store; Wilston, Day's Park, Day's-road.
WEDNESDAY, October 6.—Newmarket, corner of Erneton and North streets.
THURSDAY, October 7.—Wooloowin, Elite Picture Palace, Hon. T. J. Ryan, M.H.R., will address this meeting; Wilston, corner of Lamont and Abuklea-street.
FRIDAY, October 8.—Near Rossmount Hospital, commencing at 7.30 p.m. sharp; Windsor Picture Palace, Windsor, commencing at 8 p.m. (The Hon. W. R. Crampton and Hon. Y. M'Donnell will assist at this meeting); Wilston, corner of Silvester-street and Kedron Brook-road.
Authorised by Henry Bond, Campaign Secretary.

Daily Standard (Brisbane) 4 Oct. 1920, 8.

³¹ "Revocation of Temporary Reserves." *Wagga Wagga Advertiser* (NSW) 30 Oct. 1880, 4.

³² "The Traveller: A Devil-Dance in Ceylon." *Australasian* (Melbourne) 29 Mar. 1884, 10 (Supp).

³³ "The Buddha's Relics." *Sydney Mail and New South Wales Advertiser* 20 July 1889, 162.

³⁴ "Family Notices." *Brisbane Courier* 16 Apr. 1890, 4.

³⁵ "V.R.C. Entries." *Daily Telegraph* (Sydney) 11 Oct. 1898, 6.

³⁶ "Shipping." *Goldfields Morning Chronicle* (Coolgardie, WA) 3 Feb. 1898, 4.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

Empire, 2.30 and 8.—"The Smart Set Diggers."
 Palace Gardens.—"The Sparklers."
 Lyceum.—"The Figurehead."
 Majestic.—"A Daughter of Two Worlds."
 Tivoli.—"The House of Silence."
 Pavilion.—"Tangled Threads."
 Exhibition Pictures.—"Old Wives for New."
 Kalinga Pictures.—"Below the Surface."

Brisbane Courier 29 Jan. 1921, 7.

Mr. C. D. Ellerman, hon. secretary of the Kalinga Amateur Fishing Club, reports that a general meeting of that club was held in the Kalinga Hall last Monday night, when there was a good attendance of members. Mr. Groundwater, of the Kalinga Picture Palace, has kindly offered to give the club a picture benefit, which has been gladly accepted, and the date fixed for Wednesday, March 2. The president of

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"Bony Bream." "Fishing." *Daily Standard* (Brisbane) 11 Feb. 1921, 7.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article184920884>

KALINGA PICTURES, LODGE ROAD, EAGLE JUNCTION.

SHOWING TO-NIGHT.
"THE RESTLESS SEX,"
 Featuring Marion Davies, also Grand Supporting Programine.

COMING WEDNESDAY.
"THE CITY SPARROW."

Brisbane Courier 19 Feb. 1921, 2.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

Cremorne.—Town Topics.
 Empire Theatre.—"A Flapper's Married Life."
 Palace Gardens.—"The Sparklers."
 Tivoli.—"Something to Think About."
 West's Olympia.—"A Girl of the Bush."
 Strand de Luxe.—"The Yellow Typhoon."
 Majestic.—"What Women Love."
 Pavilion.—"Robinson Crusoe."
 Lyceum.—"The Secret of the Monastery."
 Exhibition Pictures.—"Something to Think About."
 Kalinga Pictures.—"Humoresque."

Brisbane Courier 30 Mar. 1921, 9.

ALL OF THESE FOREMOST THEATRES HAVE JOINED IN THE CELEBRATION

BRISBANE "TIVOLI THEATRE"
 AUGUST 31 TO SEPTEMBER 5, INCLUSIVE.
 "THE DRESSMAKER FROM PARIS."
 With an All Star Cast, including LEATRICE JOY, BARNETT TORRENCE, MILDEED HARRIS, AND ALAN FOREST.

VALLEY— VALLEY THEATRE.
 CLAYFIELD— SAVOY THEATRE.
 GRACEVILLE— GRACEVILLE PICTURES.
 HILL END— RIALTO THEATRE.
 IPSWICH ROAD— ANNERLEY THEATRE.
 IPSWICH ROAD— BOOMERANG THEATRE.
 KALINGA— KALINGA THEATRE.

COUNTRY TOWNS CONTINUED.
 BOONAH— SCHOOL OF ARTS THEATRE.
 CHARLEVILLE— TAIT'S PICTURES.
 CLIFTON— TIVOLI THEATRE.
 CROW'S NEST— EMPIRE THEATRE.
 CUNNAMULLA— INVINCIBLE THEATRE.
 CHILDESS— PARAGON THEATRE.
 CORDALBA— CORDALBA PICTURES.
 CASTLE CREEK— CASTLE CREEK PICTURES.
 CABOOLTURE— EMPIRE THEATRE.
 COORAN— COORAN PICTURES.
 DALBY— STAR THEATRE.
 EUMUNDI— EUMUNDI PICTURES.

COUNTRY TOWNS CONTINUED.
 ST. GEORGE— SUN THEATRE.
 SCARNESS— CHRISTENSEN'S PICTURES.
 PIALBA— CHRISTIANSON'S PICTURES.
 TAMBO— TAMBO PICTURES.
 TAROOM— TAROOM PICTURES.
 TOOGOOLOAWAH— TOOGOOLOAWAH PICTURES.
 TEXAS— TEXAS PICTURES.
 TOOWOOMBA— EMPIRE THEATRE.
 WOWAN— WOWAN PICTURES.
 WONDAI— WONDAI PICTURES.
 WARWICK— HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
 YARRAMAN— VICTORIA HALL PICTURES.
 YEPPOON—

COUNTRY TOWNS CONTINUED.
 FINCH HATTON— CRITERION THEATRE.
 FRESHWATER— FRESHWATER PICTURES.
 GORDONVALE— GORDONVALE PICTURES.
 HALIFAX— STANLEY THEATRE.
 HERBERTON— HERBERTON THEATRE.
 HOME HILL— HOME HILL PICTURES (J. WATSON).
 INGHAM— HERBERT THEATRE.
 INNISFAIL— AIRDOMS THEATRE.
 ISIBFORD— ISIBFORD THEATRE.
 KURANDA— KURANDA PICTURES.
 EDDINGTON'S CIRCUIT THEATRES— J. EDDINGTON (PROPRIETOR).
 LONGREACH— PALACE THEATRE.

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Daily Mail (Brisbane) 30 Aug. 1925, 12.

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND APPEAL.

The public will have an opportunity tomorrow night at the South Brisbane City Hall of seeing for themselves how wonderfully bright and cheerful the little blind children and the deaf and dumb children are. Children who have never heard a word will recite in a normal way, and perform in a manner that reflects the highest credit on the teachers. The same also with the blind children with their singing and music. All the items will be given by the pupils. The following further donations have been received:—Collected at Kalinga Pictures, £3.10.5; Mrs. Overland, 10/6; Mrs. Preston, 5/-; Mrs. Henderson, 10/-; Plumbers, Ipswich-road Workshop social benefit fund, £1/1/-; Sydney Jones, 2/6. Further donations may be sent to the Blind, Deaf, and Dumb Institution Playground Committee, c/o Manual Training College, Grey-street, South Brisbane.

Brisbane Courier 30 Nov. 1925, 5.
<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article20981785>

List of Towns Celebrating Paramount's Greater Movie Season.

TOWN.	THEATRE.	TOWN.	THEATRE.	TOWN.	THEATRE.
Albion	Empire Theatre	Esk	Picture Theatre	Rabaul	Rabaul Recreations Ltd.
Annerley	Annerley Theatre.	Eumundi	Picture Theatre	Ravenswood	Picture Theatre
Annerley	Boomerang Theatre	Finch Hatton	Criterion Theatre	Red Hill	Pops Theatre
Alstonville	Amuse Theatre	Gatton	Gatton Pictures	Rockhampton	Wintergarden Theatre
Allora	Star	Gin Gin	Majestic Theatre	Roma	National Pictures
Alpha	Picture Theatre	Gladstone	Lincoln Hall Pictures	St. George	Sun Pictures
Atherton	Gilder's Pictures	Goomeri	Bonara Hall Pictures	Sandgate	Beach Theatre
Augathelia	Picture Theatre	Goondiwindi	Empire Theatre	Seymour	Picture Theatre
Ayr	Orto	Gordonvale	Medlick's Pictures	Scarness	Picture Theatre
Babinda	Slape's Pictures	Graceville	Graceville Pictures	Sherwood	Picture Theatre
Ballina	Centennial Hall Pictures	Grafton	Dorgan's Kinema	South Brisbane	Princess Theatre
Banbulow	School of Arts Pictures	Grafton South	Prince Edward Theatre	Southport	Regnant Theatre
Banyan	Tully Pictures	Gympie	Olympia.	Southport	Pier Pictures
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Hawthorne	Picture Theatre	South Woodburn	Picture Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Herberton	Chatfield's Pictures	Springure	Picture Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Home Hill	Watson's Pictures	Tambourine Mountain	Picture Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Howard	Picture Theatre	Texas	Picture Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Hughenden	Olympia Theatre	Tolga	Vider's Circuit Pictures
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Ingham	Star Theatre	Toogoolawah	Picture Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Inglewood	Olympia Theatre	Toowoomba	Empire Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Innisfail	Albert Hall Pictures	Townsville	Olympia Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Ipswich	Airdoms Theatre	Toowong	Elite Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Johnstone South	Wintergarden Theatre	Warwick	His Majesty's Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Kalinga	Hing	West End	Lyric Theatre
Baralaba	Picture Theatre	Kalinga	Star Theatre		

Brisbane Courier 6 Mar. 1926, 9.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT KALINGA.

The Sunday school started at Kalinga in February last year under the auspices of Scots Church kirk session is meeting with much success. Already the enrolment has reached 100. Hitherto the school has been conducted in the Star Picture Theatre, Lodge Walk, placed at the disposal of the session by Mr. Felsman, the proprietor. The time having arrived for taking steps to provide a parish hall for Sunday school purposes, a start has been made with the necessary organisation. A site consisting of three allotments has been secured at the corner of Emma Street and Shaw's Road. At a public meeting it was decided to form a ladies' committee and a men's committee. The ladies' committee met on

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"Presbyterian." *Telegraph* (Brisbane) 23 July 1927, 4.
<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article182131546>

KALINGA DISTRICT**MEETING OF PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

The monthly meeting of the Kalinga Progress Association was held at Star Picture Theatre, Lodge Road, Eagle Junction. There was a fair attendance. Mr. T. H. Kelly (president) was in the chair. Several new members were enrolled.

A report was received from delegates regarding the Kalinga tramway extension. It was decided to await further developments.

A proposal of the Postal Department to remove one of the public telephones was reported by the secretary, and Mr. Evans explained the views of the Woolloowin Progress Association.

It was decided that the association regretted the decision of the department, but that if it was necessary to remove one telephone those at the Eagle Junction station and Young's Store be retained.

The rate of subscription from May, 1928, was reduced from 5s. to 2s. 6d. per annum.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 21 Dec. 1927, 15.
<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article180793352>

LOAN MONEY.

HOW WINDSOR BENEFITED.

A well-attended meeting of electors of Windsor and Nundah Wards, held in the Kalinga Picture Pavilion, was addressed by Alderman Prentice and Mr. A. J. Thompson (the endorsed National candidates). Alderman Prentice dealt with many phases of the Greater Brisbane activities. On the matter of finance,

Brisbane Courier 6 Feb. 1928, 16.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/21220455>

BASKET BALL.

TO-DAY'S INTERSTATE MATCH.

The following players will represent Queensland in the match against New South Wales, at Eagle Junction, this afternoon: May Watkins, E. Gleeson, goalers; Ella Robertson, defence; Peg Broaderrick, defence wing; Evelyn Robertson, centre; Freda Spieker, attack wing; Ruby Edwards, attack. After the game the visitors will entrain for Nambour, where they will remain till Monday evening. Yesterday morning they were escorted over Parliament House, after which they were entertained at morning tea by Mrs. T. Wilson. In the evening they were entertained at a fancy dress party at the Kalinga Star Theatre.

Brisbane Courier 18 Aug. 1928, 6.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article21318530>

Juvenile Dance

A successful children's plain and fancy dress dance was held last evening at the Kalinga Picture Theatre in aid of the Eagle Junction State School sports fund. The organiser of the dance was Mr. Waldron, who was assisted by Miss D. Huxham, Messrs. D. J. Bell (head master), V. Wallin, A. and G. Felsman, P. Shaw, R. Hebdien, and L. E. Pittman.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 18 Aug. 1928, 16.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article182354939>

"TRIBUTE OF THE FOREST."

The Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production, "Tribute of the Forest," recently shown at the Wintergarden Theatre, Brisbane, is to be shown at the following suburban theatres during February:—Alhambra, Stone's Corner; Imperial, Nundah; Savoy, Clayfield; Empire, Albion; Crystal Palace, Windsor; Imperial Pictures, Wynnum. Early in March the picture will be screened at the Kedron Wintergarden, Ascot Arcadia, and Kalinga Star Pictures. This picture was taken at the instruction of the Commonwealth Government. The "location" was the Hancock and Gore, Ltd., Mill, at Jimna, near Kilcoy, on the North Coast line. The picture, which is intended to be shown throughout Australia and overseas, shows scrub and mill operations of the timber industry.

Brisbane Courier 19 Feb. 1929, 22.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article21377647>

KALINGA THEATRE.**ANZAC MEMORIAL SERVICE.**

"Perhaps, as time goes on, the services shall become less pensive and more joyful," said Mr. W. Kelso, yesterday afternoon, when assisting the president of the Kalinga Progress Association (Mr. A. E. Hutchinson) in conducting the Anzac memorial service in the Star Theatre, Kalinga. The function had been arranged by the association to be held at the Honour Gates, Kalinga Park, but the rainy weather forced the people to the theatre's shelter. There was a remarkably large assemblage.

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Brisbane Courier 22 Apr. 1929, 16.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article21398051>

Flower Shows**Woolloowin and Kalinga**

About 400 entries, which constituted a record, were received for the monthly show of the Woolloowin and Kalinga Horticultural Society which was held in the Star Picture Pavilion last night.

Mr. S. Phillips, the retiring president, introducing Mr. C. Taylor, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, said this society was now known as the Woolloowin and Kalinga Horticultural Society, as a result of a meeting on August 28, at which the following officials were elected: Patron, Mr. C.

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Telegraph (Brisbane) 15 Oct. 1929, 19.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article179106009>

KALINGA DISPLAYS.

The Star Picture Pavilion at Kalinga housed good displays of pot plants and cut flowers. The judges of the competitions were Messrs. Joe Soden (roses and cut flowers), G. Edwards (fruit and vegetables), M. Bayless (pot plants), Mr. and Mrs. Bayless (floral work), Mrs. M. Bayless (cookery and fancy work).

Following are the awards:—

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Telegraph (Brisbane) 12 Nov. 1929, 19.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/180097869>

Scout Benefit

A combined benefit was held last night in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga, in aid of the Clayfield Boy Scouts and the Kalinga Wolf Cubs.

The combined social committees were responsible for the organisation. Mr. C. D. Ellerman supervised the dancing and Mr. W. Small, jun. had charge of the card tables. A guessing competition was won by Miss A. Small.

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Telegraph (Brisbane) 26 July 1930, 16.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/197646559>

WOOLOOWIN DISTRICT**PROGRESS ASSOCIATION MEETING**

The monthly meeting of the Woolloowin Progress Association was held in the Star Theatre, Kalinga, when the attitude of the association in regard to the forthcoming municipal election was discussed. As the members had

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Telegraph (Brisbane) 6 Mar. 1931, 5.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/186902622>

POLLING PLACES.

Single.—Albion (Drill Shed), Brisbane (City Hall), Gordon Park (Progress Association Hall), Kalinga (Hopper's Garage, adjoining Eagle Junction Railway Station), Kalinga (Star Picture Theatre, Lodge-road), Kedron (Memorial Hall), Lutwyche (Woolloowin State School), Wilston Fiveways (Orme's Store, Day's-road), Windsor (Mr. Mahoney's residence, corner of Sixth and Tenth avenues), Windsor (School of Arts), Woolloowin (Guild Hall).

Daily Standard (Brisbane) 1 Apr. 1931, 17.

STATE SCHOOL BALL.

Noted characters in history and fiction were among the many representations at the annual fancy dress ball of the Eagle Junction State School, held in the Star Theatre, Kalinga, last evening. The fancy costumes proved particularly effective and original, and no trouble had been spared by painstaking mothers to assure the detail and finish required to complete many original costumes. The ball was or-

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Brisbane Courier 4 July 1931, 21.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/21724220>

WOOLOOWIN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

At the August meeting of the Woolloowin Progress Association, held in the Star Theatre, Kalinga, a letter from the City Council was read to the effect that the Council had no money available for completing the roadway from Kent Road to the Kalinga tram terminus.

A discussion on the advisability of the association going into recess owing to the inability of the Council to meet the requests of the association for the present brought forth strong protests. It was stated that the need for progress associations to exert their influence for the better government of public affairs was greater to-day than ever.

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Telegraph (Brisbane) 7 Aug. 1931, 13.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/181278761>

WOOLOOWIN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Woolloowin Progress Association was held last evening in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga. There was a good attendance of members and several new members were admitted. The annual reports submitted drew attention to the fact that it was now 20 years since the association was formed. A review of the improvement effected in the district for which the association was primarily responsible covered a wide range. In recognition of the distinguished

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Brisbane Courier 9 Oct. 1931, 4.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article21750934>

FINE DISPLAY.**WOOLOOWIN FLOWER SHOW.**

The monthly meeting of the Woolloowin and Kalinga Horticultural Society was held last evening in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga. The outstanding feature of the show was the fine display of vegetables. In the flower section the

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Brisbane Courier 10 Nov. 1931, 3.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article21765400>

ST. ANDREW'S BOY SCOUTS.

A large and appreciative audience attended a splendid entertainment in aid of the St. Andrew's (Lutwyche) Scout Den building fund, in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga, on Wednesday evening.

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Brisbane Courier 4 Dec. 1931, 20.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article21731502>

NATIONAL MEETINGS.**LILLEY DIVISION.**

To-night, Mr. G. H. Mackay will address the following meetings: Swan Hill, at Odd-fellows' Hall, Bowen Bridge road, assisted by Senator W. G. Thompson; Chairman, Alderman E. Lanham. Also at Kalinga Star Picture Theatre, assisted by Senator W. G. Thompson, Mr. F. H. Mee, and Mr. E. P. Simpson; Chairman, Mr. Geo. B. Vickers. Meetings commence at 8 p.m.

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Brisbane Courier 18 Dec. 1931, 18.

RUGBY UNION.

EAGLE JUNCTION CLUB.

The first annual meeting of members of the Eagle Junction Rugby Union Football Club was held in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga, on Thursday evening

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Brisbane Courier 6 Feb. 1932, 7.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/21778521>

FOOTBALL CLUB DANCE.

The Eagle Junction Rugby Union Football Club held a successful dance in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga, on Friday evening to raise funds for the equipment of the team, and the players insurance fund. The arrangements were attended to by Messrs. H. R. Williams, R. Grimes, and A. Shaw, assisted by a committee.

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Brisbane Courier 12 Apr. 1932, 17.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/21798128>

Q.A.T.B. SOCIAL.

The residents of Woolloowin and Kalinga are combining to hold a dance and card evening on June 2, in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga, to raise funds for the Q.A.T.B. At a meeting held on Monday evening a committee was formed, with Mr. A. E. Hutchinson as chairman, to carry out the arrangements. A further meeting is to be held, when all interested are invited.

Brisbane Courier 12 May 1932, 19.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/21959387>

HELP FOR AMBULANCE.

Mr. A. E. Hutchinson presided over a meeting of the combined sporting bodies and the progress associations in the Star Picture Theatre last evening, to finalise the business of the social recently held in the Star Picture Theatre in aid of the Ambulance funds. The sum of £13 was secured, and has been forwarded to the Q.A.T.B. The tennis evening arranged by Mrs. E. Shield, assisted by Mrs. C. Eason, at her tennis courts, Kalinga, netted £6/17/ for the same object.

Brisbane Courier 21 June 1932, 19.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/21962341>

WOOLLOOWIN FLOWERS.

Roses made a good showing at the Woolloowin - Kalinga Horticultural Society's show in the Star Picture Theatre last night. Cut flowers, fruit and vegetables, too, were prominent among the other exhibits.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 15 Nov. 1932, 11.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article179531498>

EXCELLENT BLOOMS.

WOOLOOWIN—KALINGA SHOW.

The monthly show of the Woolloowin and Kalinga Horticultural Society was held last evening, in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga. There was an excellent display in all sections. The judges

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Brisbane Courier 10 Jan. 1933, 17.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/22166238>

GOOD DISPLAY.

KALINGA FLOWER SHOW.

There was a good display in all sections at the Woolloowin-Kalinga Horticultural Show, held on Monday evening in the Star Picture Palace, Kalinga. Roses, pot plants, and floral work were of a high standard, and vegetables were of good quality.

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Brisbane Courier 16 Aug. 1933, 15.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/22206067>

WOOLOOWIN-KALINGA SHOW

The first monthly show of the year of the Woolloowin—Kalinga Horticultural Society, held in the Star Picture Theatre, Kalinga, last evening, was opened by Alderman G. B. Vickers, who congratulated the exhibitors on the excellent show and the keenness of members. The judges were Messrs. W. H. Duffy (roses, cut flowers), R. Johnston and J. Pointon (fruit, vegetables, and pot plants), Mrs. A. Auld (fancy work and cookery), and Mrs. Bell (floral work).

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Courier-Mail (Brisbane) 9 Jan. 1934, 5.

<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-page27483>

PICTURE THEATRE LOCATIONS

Many Factors To Be Considered

The City Planner (Mr. McInnis) suggests that it is practically impossible to lay down any general rule for the distance separating picture theatres.

In a report presented to the town clerk Mr. McInnis stated that he considered three-quarters of a mile was, in most cases, the limit of effectiveness of a suburban theatre, but there were times when certain theatres drew their patrons from a much larger area, while at others the appeal did not extend for three-quarters of a mile. The effective area was affected by tram, train, and bus routes, by arterial roads, by the contour of the ground, by large creeks, and by open spaces. The effective area of the Star Pictures, at Kalinga, for instance, could not be compared with that of the Savoy Theatre, at Clayfield.

Another point was the creation of monopolies in providing picture entertainment over any given area. The protection that should be given to any theatre depended entirely on the service it gave to the public. The service given by theatres could not be improved by giving them a monopoly. If the residents of any area were condemned to service by an inefficient theatre, with a cold concrete floor in winter, or any other inconvenience, they would go to the city or elsewhere for entertainment.

Each application must be treated on its merits, considering the type of theatre to be built and the effect of its situation on traffic.

Courier-Mail (Brisbane) 28 July 1937, 14.
<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article37047751>

STAR THEATRE, KALINGA
SKATING EVERY AFTERNOON
AND NIGHT

THE ONLY SKATING FLOOR IN BRISBANE.
TUESDAY NEXT, NOVELTY SPORTS.
8 MILES CHAMPIONSHIP OF BRISBANE.
Entries Close MONDAY.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 21 Aug. 1937, 29.

SKATING! SKATING! STAR THEATRE, KALINGA
FRIDAY NEXT, SEPTEMBER 10th

GRAND POSTER AND ADVERTISING CARNIVAL.
MUSIC BY B.I.S.S. BRASS BAND.
PRIZES, NOVELTIES, AS ONLY KALINGA CAN.
SKATING EVERY DAY AND NIGHT, EXCEPT SATURDAY.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 8 Sept. 1937, 27.

TENDERS are invited for **PURCHASE** as a going concern of **STAR THEATRE**, Lodge Road, Kalinga. Books may be inspected and further particulars obtained from the undersigned. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders close **MONDAY, 16th May, 1938**, with **JOSEPH SMITH**, Solicitor, National Bank Chambers, Queen Street, Brisbane.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 29 Apr. 1938, 24.

WHERE are you going on Friday, June 24? The **Eagle Junction Rugby Union** football club invite you to join the happy throng of dancers who regularly attend these popular fortnightly functions, at the **Star Theatre**, Lodge Road, **Eagle Junction**. There will be novelty numbers and a good dance floor. The **Kalinga** tram will bring you right to the door.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 22 June 1938, 22.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/183487834>

PARENTS PARTNER CHILDREN IN—
Novel Dance At Eagle Junction School Ball

CHILDREN partnered by their parents in a dance was a novel feature of the **Eagle Junction State School** annual ball held in the **Star Theatre**, **Kalinga**, last evening.

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Courier-Mail (Brisbane) 30 July 1937, 2.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/40981106>

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

Queensland Women's Electoral League, Hamilton-Clayfield branch, monthly meeting, 2.30 p.m.
 Monthly meeting, **Mackay Association**, Cane-growers' Room, A.M.P. Building, 2 p.m.
Ambulance ladies' social committee monthly bridge and euchre party, **Brigade Rooms**, 8 p.m.
U.P.A., **Kalinga Branch**, **Salmagundi Evening**, **Star Theatre**, **Lodge Road**, 7.45 p.m.*

"Make a Note of This." *Telegraph* (Brisbane) 9 Sept. 1938, 10.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/183455126>

NO SKATING AT KALINGA.

The **Health and Town Planning Committee** had decided to recommend that an application for a licence to conduct roller skating at the **Star Theatre** in **Lodge Road**, **Kalinga**, should be refused, said the chairman (Alderman **W. J. Green**) to-day. The decision, he said, was made in view of the fact that it was a residential area.

Telegraph (Brisbane) 13 Sept. 1938, 16.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/191603824>

WINDSOR ARP: No. 6 Division,
special films. Star Picture Theatre,
Kalinga. Thursday, 8 pm

"Voluntary war Work." *Telegraph* (Brisbane) 20 Oct. 1942, 2.
<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/172589820>

KALINGA THEATRE. M6942 & M4195
Sat. 7.30. Mat. Sat. 1.30.
Rita Hayworth, Glenn Ford.
"GILDA"
Abbott and Costello
"THE TIME OF THEIR LIVES."
Note: "Frenzied Fury" will be shown at
Mat. only in place of "Gilda."

Telegraph (Brisbane) 25 Apr. 1947, 13.

KALINGA THEATRE. LU1670.
Sat., 7.30. Sat., 1.30.
Shirley Temple, Barry Fitzgerald.
PRIDE OF KENTUCKY (G.), Tech.
MOTHER DIDN'T TELL ME (A.).
Mat. Only: **PRIDE OF KENTUCKY (G.).**
Laurel and Hardy. GREAT GUNS (G.).

Telegraph (Brisbane) 19 May 1951, 7.

KALINGA. LU1670. LU3965.
(7.30.) Near Tram Terminus.
Jack Hawkins, Claud. Colbert.
THE PLANTER'S WIFE (G.).
THE PLANTER'S WIFE (G.).
THE PLANTER'S WIFE (G.).
Robert Ryan, Mala Powers.
CITY BENEATH THE SEA (G.)
In Colour.
Cartoon. Shorts.

Brisbane Telegraph 15 May 1954, 27.

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