

This group contains the papers of John Lewis and his son James Brook Lewis.

**John Lewis** was born on 12 February 1844, at Brighton.<sup>1</sup> He was the son of James Lewis who arrived in South Australia on the *Rapid* in 1836<sup>2</sup> and Eliza Lewis (nee Bristow) who arrived on the *Cygnets* on 11 September 1836.<sup>3</sup> He was privately educated until the age of 12, when he began helping his father on the family farm at Richmond. Lewis ran away from home at 14 and first became an apprentice blacksmith at Meadows, and then undertook various positions on stations throughout South Australia.<sup>4</sup>

In 1872 John Lewis left for an overland trip to the Northern Territory where he had obtained a pastoral lease on Coburg Peninsula.<sup>5</sup> While on route the Government commissioned him to act as a courier between the constructing parties on the north and south ends of the overland telegraph line.<sup>6</sup> He arrived Darwin on 25 October 1872, and organised several prospecting expeditions inland and along the coast, Pine Creek Gold Reef being the chief find.<sup>7</sup> He also arranged a relief party in 1874 to locate the lost African explorers Borrodale and Permain.<sup>8</sup> Lewis took out another lease of land on the Coburg Peninsula and formed the Coburg Cattle Company and established a buffalo station.<sup>9</sup>

John Lewis returned to South Australia in 1876, and joined Messrs Liston and Shakes, stock and station agents, and managed the Burra Burra branch until 1885. When Liston resigned from the business, Lewis and Shakes carried on until 1888 when a joint stock company was formed known as Bagot, Shakes and Lewis Limited. In May 1906 Luxmoore, Dowling and Jeffrey was amalgamated with the company and in the same year John Lewis moved to Adelaide.<sup>10</sup>

He had a number of pastoral interests including Newcastle Waters in the Northern Territory, purchased in 1902;<sup>11</sup> Dalhousie Springs, north of Oodnadatta was brought in 1896, and sold 1912; he was associated with Sidney Kidman and John Conrick in Nappamerrie, Queensland; had a share in Witchelina Pastoral Company; a partnership interest in Coronga Peak in south east New South Wales; and an interest in Indulkinna, a property near Oodnadatta.<sup>12</sup>

In 1897 he was returned as the member of the Legislative Council for the North Eastern District and he held this seat until 1901 when the Constitution was altered.

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<sup>1</sup> Johns, Fred Johns's Annual, Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd., London, 1914, p.119, and it Cockburn, Pastoral Pioneers of South Australia, Vol.II, Publishers Limited, Adelaide, 1927, p.254.

<sup>2</sup> Opie, South Australian Records Prior to 1841 Hussey, Gillingham Limited, Adelaide, 1917, p.16.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid

<sup>4</sup> Cockburn, op.cit, vol.II, p.254.

<sup>5</sup> Lewis, Fought and Won, W.K. Thomas & Co., Adelaide, 1922, p.63.

<sup>6</sup> PRG 247/14

<sup>7</sup> His prospecting and pastoral experiences are described at length in his book Fought and Won.

<sup>8</sup> PRG 247/1

<sup>9</sup> Lewis, op.cit., p.140.

<sup>10</sup> Cockburn, op.cit., vol.II, p.254.

<sup>11</sup> PRG 247/10/1

<sup>12</sup> Cockburn, op.cit., vol.II, p.255.

After this date he was returned as the member for the Northern District and he held the seat until to his death.<sup>13</sup> John Lewis was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 1875, and was a Councillor at Burra for two years; in 1878 he was appointed a member of the Northern and Midlands Licensing Branch; he was connected with the Pastoralists' Association, the Aborigines Friends' Association, the Horticultural and Floricultural Society (of which he was President for three years); the South Australian Soldiers' Fund, and the Adelaide Children's Hospital.<sup>14</sup> He was a member of the Royal Geographical Society and President for 7 years of the South Australian Branch.<sup>15</sup> He also worked for the Royal Society of St George, the Burra Polo club, the Advisory Council of Aborigines, the Fauna and Flora Board, and the Burra Hospita1.<sup>16</sup>

Lewis received a CMG in 1922.<sup>17</sup>

He wrote a book entitled *Fought and Won*, published by W.K. Thomas & Co, Adelaide 1922, which details his pastoral, prospecting and mining experiences in the Northern Territory, South Australia and elsewhere.

He married Martha Ann Brook in September 1876<sup>18</sup> and had six children:

- James Brook Lewis b. 11-8-1877 [see files in PRG 247].
- Gilbert Norman born 11-4-1879 died in Perth 6-6- 1974
- Essington born 13-1-1881 died in Melbourne 2-10-1961
- Eleanor (Nell) b. 2-06-82 died 1962 married George Cowan
- (Florence) Jane 17-3-1884 d. 20-8-70, married Alexander J. Melrose of "Kadlenga" Mintaro
- Lancelot Ashley b. 25-9-1885 died 13-06-1938 in Adelaide

His wife died on 3 July 1894.<sup>19</sup> Lewis later married Mrs Toll, the widowed daughter of Mr W.R. Mortlock. John Lewis died on 25 August 1923 at his residence 'Benacre' at Glen Osmond.<sup>20</sup>

**James Brook Lewis** was born at Burra, He was educated at Whinham College, North Adelaide and St Peters College, the University of Adelaide and the University of Melbourne where he graduated with a Bachelor of Surgery.<sup>21</sup>

In World War I he enlisted in the AIF and served on the hospital ship *Karoola*, and in France.<sup>22</sup> After the war he worked as an eye specialist at Moorfields Hospital, London and in Madras, India.<sup>23</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> The Adelaide Stock and Station Journal, 29 August, 1923, p.3.

<sup>14</sup> Lewis, op.cit.. pp.177-178.

<sup>15</sup> Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society of Australia, South Australian Branch, Vo1.24, p.22.

<sup>16</sup> Lewis, op.cit., vol.II, p.255.

<sup>17</sup> Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society, op.cit., p.22.

<sup>18</sup> op.cit., Lewis p.158.

<sup>19</sup> ibid.

<sup>20</sup> Cockburn, op.cit., vol.II, p.254.

<sup>21</sup> The Advertiser, 26 September, 1966, p.7a.

<sup>22</sup> ibid.

<sup>23</sup> ibid.

He returned to Adelaide in 1922 and practiced as an eye surgeon. James Lewis was an Honorary Assistant Ophthalmologist at Royal Adelaide Hospital from 1923 to 1932; Honorary Ophthalmologist from 1933 to 1938, and Honorary Consulting Ophthalmologist from 1933 to 1938, and honorary consulting ophthalmologist in 1939.<sup>24</sup> During World War II he joined the medical staff at Keswick Barracks.<sup>25</sup> James Brook Lewis died on 22 September 1966.<sup>26</sup> [These papers were donated by Mr R. Lewis in January 1968, and Mrs J.E. Gosse in 1971.]

**Lancelot Lewis** followed his father John into Bagot, Shakes & Lewis, which after World War I was taken over by Goldsbrough Mort & Lance Lewis became manager for Goldsbrough Mort in S.A. & W.A. Goldsbrough's archival records are held in the Noel Butler Archives at the A.N.U., Canberra and contain quite a bit of information about Lance.

**Essington Lewis** was born at Burra in 1881 and educated at the Burra Community School and St Peter's College. After two stints as a jackaroo at Dalhousie Springs he joined B.H.P. in 1904. He gained his diploma in mining and metallurgy at the S.A. School of Mines in 1905. During his final year of study he also worked underground at the B.H.P. mine at Broken Hill. He later became assistant metallurgist at the Port Pixie smelters and acting manager. He was in charge of the construction of the Newcastle Steel Works and in 1915 became the manager of the Broken Hill Munitions Co. Pty. Ltd. In 1919 he was acting general manager of the Company, assistant general manager in 1920 and general manager in 1921 at the age of 40. He became Chairman of the Advisory Panel on Industrial Organisation in 1938, Chairman of the Board of Business Administration in 1939, Director of Munitions in 1940 and in 1941 Director-General of Aircraft Production. During the Second World War he had the responsibility for Australia's war production.

After the war he returned to B.H.P. and for the next four years as General Manager he laid the foundations of the enormous expansion of the iron and steel industry that characterized the post-war period. In 1950 he became Chairman of Directors of the Company but two years later handed over the role of responsibility to others, though he remained as Deputy-Chairman until his death.

In April 1910 he married Gladys Rosalind Cowan and their family consisted of sons James Essington and Robert Brook, and daughters Helen, Mary and Jane. His sons were educated at Geelong Grammar and the daughters at the Clyde School. In Melbourne the Lewis family lived in Malvern, with a country property at Tallarook named *Landscape*, of 3,500 acres.

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<sup>24</sup> Annual Reports, Royal Adelaide Hospital, 1923-1939.

<sup>25</sup> The Advertiser, op.cit.

<sup>26</sup> The Advertiser, 24 September, 1966, p.46.

Further information about some of the children can be found at:

- Essington Lewis The Steel Man by Geoffrey Blainey
- BHP Archives, South Melbourne
- Melbourne University Archives
- Australian National Archives
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Essington Lewis, as head of B.H.P., was known to many people as one of the hardest working and most influential people in Australia of his time. He travelled widely and had the ear of prime ministers, governors, and industry leaders. Few excelled him in his knowledge of the country's natural resources. His unique character made him eschew formality and pretentiousness; his motto "I am Work" proclaimed his energy and efficiency. He refused a knighthood in 1942 but accepted the offer of Companion of Honour in 1943 given by King George VI (an award to only 65 persons at one time). He died of a heart attack while riding at Landscape on 2 October 1961, in his 81st year.

### **Robert Brook Lewis**

R.B. Lewis was born in 1918, son of Essington Lewis. Educated at Geelong Grammar School and Trinity College, University of Melbourne, he became Vice-Master of St Mark's College, University of Adelaide in 1946 and was Master of the College from 1957-1968. He held a similar position in Melbourne as Master of Menzies College, La Trobe University 1968-1970. He retired in 1981 after holding an administrative post at the University of Melbourne. He married the daughter of Sir Archibald Grenfell Price in 1943.

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## Papers of John Lewis

- General correspondence 1  
30 January 1869 – 11 February 1922. 2.5 cm.  
[Includes letters of a business nature, and personal letters particularly from people resident in the Northern Territory.]
- Letters from Paul Foelsche 2  
14 July 1875 – 23 July 1913. 2 cm.
- Correspondence 3  
19 September 1874 – 20 September 1916. 14 items.  
[Includes letters with George Elias relating to the sale and purchase of Broken Hill mining shares.]
- Letters from Sir Samuel Way 4  
1877-1890. 7 items.
- Letters from family and friends, including some from Gilbert Lewis to John and Lance Lewis 5  
13 February 1871 – 22 July 1920. 1 cm.
- Letter book 6  
5 August 1885 – 26 December 1900. 1v.
- Diaries 7  
1870-1873, 1907-1908. 8v.
- Papers relating to the Northern Territory 8  
1873-1921. 16 cm.  
[Comprises a typewritten history of the Northern Territory; a list of pastoral stations and lessees; newspaper cuttings; maps, Parliamentary Papers on the Northern Territory, correspondence, miner's rights, IOUs and a reunion dinner card.]
- Papers relating to Coburg Cattle Station, Port Essington 9  
ca. August 1871 – 17 June 1888. 3 cm.  
[Includes letters from partners and station managers; copies of letters from P. Foelshe to J. Brook, Secretary of the Coburg Cattle Station; financial statements, and an inspection report on the station.]
- Records relating to Newcastle Waters cattle station 10  
ca. 1902-1909. 6 cm.  
[See special list]

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Papers relating to Dalhousie Springs cattle station 31 March 1909 – 10 May 1911. 1 cm. [Comprises correspondence (letters received, and in some cases letters sent) with the station manager, and financial papers.]	<u>11</u>
Papers concerning pastoral leases 24 January 1872 – 13 February 1908. 1 cm. [Includes permits to occupy pastoral leases, correspondence with the Surveyor Generals' office, and the Minister controlling the Northern Territory.]	<u>12</u>
Papers relating to Sidney Kidman 18 December 1879 – 21 June 1919. 1 cm. [Comprises correspondence mainly relating to the sale of cattle, memoranda of agreement, and financial statements.]	<u>13</u>
Papers relating to the Overland Telegraph 10 November 1870 – 1 June 1872. 7 items. [Comprises letters concerning John Lewis' position as courier; a copy of the memorandum of agreement between Charles Todd and John Lewis, and a newspaper cutting relating the position.]	<u>14</u>
Records relating to explorers 22 June 1857 – 1 June 1920. 2 cm. [See special list]	<u>15</u>
Papers concerning income tax 1901-1910. 1 cm.	<u>16</u>
Papers prepared by John Lewis on 'Details of the Early Pastoral Leases in South Australia' 25 September 1916. 9p.	<u>17</u>
Papers concerning various investment interests 1873-1917. 10 items. [Comprises papers relating to the National Construction Company Limited; the Marine Fibre Company Limited; the Burra Burra Copper Company; Lewis's' Gold Mining Company, and the Glen Osmond Quarry Company Limited and Bagot, Shakes & Lewis Limited.]	<u>18</u>
Papers relating to the sale of North Richmond Estate and Balaklava Estate ca.1887. 5 items.	<u>19</u>
Papers concerning Lewis residence <i>Benacre</i> , Glen Osmond 27 May 1908 – ca.1915. 1 cm. [See also series 93]	<u>20</u>

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Papers relating to a trip made to London 10 May 1919 – 27 June 1919. 6 items.	<u>21</u>
Papers relating to horse racing ca.1879-1921. 5 items.	<u>22</u>
Newspaper cuttings relating to John Lewis and his various activities and interests ca.1872-1958. 6 cm. [Includes some cuttings relating to other family members.]	<u>23</u>
Maps nd. 11 items. [Includes maps of Australia and Europe.]	<u>24</u>
Miscellaneous manuscript and realia material ca.1863-1909. 9 items. [See special list]	<u>25</u>
Miscellaneous printed matter ca.1880-1923. 10 items. [See special list]	<u>26</u>
Photographs nd. 27 cm. See also series 49, 51, 53, 55, 62, 76, 83 & 109 (of Cowan family)	<u>27</u>

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## Papers of James Brook Lewis

- Letters received by James Brook Lewis 28  
25 October 1914 – August 1963. 1 cm.  
[These include letters from members of his family, and letters received on the death of his son John B. Lewis killed while on military service during World War II.]
- Letters from John B. Lewis 29  
ca.1929-1931. 3 cm  
[These letters are arranged according to the various cattle stations John Lewis was employed on.]
- Letters written by James Brook Lewis to his parents and sister Jane Lewis 30  
1891-1893. 4 items.
- Papers relating to oil searches and investments 31  
5 June 1948 – 20 November 1956. 1 cm.  
[Includes letters from Oil Search Limited and sharebrokers concerning the sale of shares; receipts, and newspaper cuttings on oil explorations.]
- Records concerning investment interests in New Broken Hill Consolidated Ltd 32  
ca.1947-1957. 1 cm.  
[Comprises letters and receipts from sharebrokers; correspondence (letters received and in some cases copies of letters sent) with the company; newspaper cuttings and a copy of the 1949 Annual Report.]
- Papers relating to Kangaroo Island 33  
ca.1943-1958. 2 cm.  
[Includes correspondence concerning the purchase of a house on Kangaroo Island; newspaper cuttings; publicity brochures, and photographs.]
- Newspaper cuttings 34  
ca.1933-1957. 1 cm + 5v.
- Maps 35  
ca.1934-1953. 7 items.
- Miscellaneous printed items 36  
December 1930 – August 1946. 1 cm.  
[Comprises Parliamentary Papers concerning the Northern Territory; itinerary of RMS 'Orana' cruise to Noumea and a duplicated copy of minutes of meeting of the Executive Committee of the N.T. Pastoral Lessees Association held on 11 August 1946.]



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Military insignia and ribbons nd. 49 items.	<u>37</u>
Letters to and from Essington Lewis: to his brother Gilbert (1896) and from his father John (1899) 1896-1899. 0.5 cm.	<u>38</u>
Invitations to Hon. J. Lewis M.L.C. to attend Federation celebrations in Melbourne 1901. 3 items. OUTSIZE [Formerly accession D 4375(Misc).]	<u>39</u>
<b>Papers of John Lewis (cont'd) ...</b>	
Papers relating to appointments 1875, 1918. 2 items. [See special list for details.]	<u>40</u>
Obituary notices for John Lewis 1923. 1 cm.	<u>41</u>
Receipts 1873-1908. 0.5 cm.	<u>42</u>
Papers relating to the opening of the Orroroo, Quorn and Farina Railways 1882. 1 cm. [Includes arrangement of tables and seats at Quorn Station, free travel passes, menu for banquet.]	<u>43</u>
Papers relating to purchase of allotments at Terowie 1878. 0.5 cm. [Includes sub-division plan and receipt for deposit.]	<u>44</u>
Papers relating to Federation celebrations 1901. 0.5 cm. [Comprises invitations, dinner menu and copy of the extraordinary issue of the Government Gazette announcing Federation.]	<u>45</u>
Letters from Martha Brook to John Lewis 1868-1876. 1 cm.	<u>46</u>

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**Papers of Lancelot Ashley Lewis (1885-1938)**  
**(see also Series 118, 134-135, 137)**

- Records relating to L.A. Lewis prior to World War I 47  
ca.1895-1938. 4 cm.  
[Includes press reports and correspondence regarding a  
'1000 mile ride' in 1898 from Burra to Warrnambool  
(Victoria) and back, a 1908 diary, mementos,  
photographs, rowing and football medals, letters and  
newspaper cuttings re sporting activities.]
- Papers relating to L.A. Lewis' war service 48  
1914-1917. 8 cm. PART OUTSIZE (shelves & map  
cabinet)  
[Newspaper cuttings regarding L.A. Lewis,  
correspondence sent to and from L.A. Lewis, copies of  
war service records for Major L.A. Lewis, and  
photographs of war medals.]
- Photographs of and taken by L.A. Lewis while on active service 49  
1914-1917. 3.5 cm.  
[Includes 9 black and white negatives.]
- Diary of L.A. Lewis kept while on active service 50  
1914-1917. 1 cm.
- Photographs taken by L.A. Lewis 51  
late 1920s – early 1930s. 2 cm.  
[Scenes, places and activities in northern South Australia  
and the Northern Territory.]
- Papers relating to L.A. Lewis for the period 1919-1938 52  
1919-1938. 3 cm.  
[Papers relating to a visit to South Africa, South America  
and New Zealand in 1936 to examine the production of  
meat for export including his tour of Argentina postcards,  
menu, newspaper cuttings and photographs sent home,  
credentials for the visit. A letter from Adelaide University,  
royal visit stickers, published annual reports, newspaper  
cuttings and obituaries, and a 1934 diary with notes  
regarding an overseas holiday in Europe.]
- Photographs of L.A. Lewis and family 53  
1919-1938. 0.5 cm.
- Letters written by L.A. Lewis during World War I 54  
1914-1917.  
[Written while he was in Egypt, at Gallipoli in the desert in  
Palestine and convalescence in Egypt after being  
wounded. Includes letters written by his father and others  
to the beginning of 1921.]

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## Papers of Thomas Lancelot Lewis

Photographs of Tom Lewis as a child 1923-1940. 15 cm.	<u>55</u>
Papers and photographs of Tom Lewis at school ca.1930-1940. 2 cm.	<u>56</u>
Papers, including a diary and photographs, relating to service during World War II. 1941-1945. 1.5 cm.	<u>57</u>
Papers and photographs relating to life after World War II 1945-1993. 2 cm. [Includes letters, photographs and newspaper cuttings.]	<u>58</u>
Condolence letters and cards received by Tom Lewis on the death of his mother, Gretta Lewis 1968. 1 cm.	<u>59</u>
Miscellaneous letters and other communications received by Tom Lewis 1987-1997. 1 cm.	<u>60</u>
Scrapbooks compiled by Jeannie (Mrs Alex Melrose), generally on family members 1903-1938. 16 cm. PART OUTSIZE (shelves) [See special list]	<u>61</u>
Assorted family photographs ca.1900-1940. 2 cm. [See special list]	<u>62</u>
Funeral address and obituary for Essington Lewis 1961. 0.5 cm.	<u>63</u>
Letters received by Jeannie (Florence Jane Melrose nee Lewis) 1915-1917. 1 cm.	<u>64</u>
Obituary for James Essington Lewis 1973. 0.5 cm.	<u>65</u>
Lewis family mementos 1862-1918 and nd. [Includes photographs, booklets, memorial cards and programmes.] NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL CONSERVED (in reserve)	<u>66</u>

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## Papers of Essington Lewis (1881-1961)

- Letters received by Essington Lewis 67  
1905-1961 4 cm (2 volumes)  
[Letters relating to his early employment with Broken Hill Proprietary Limited, and personal letters received from people or relating to B.H.P. –associated business. See Special List for Series 67 for details.]
- Memorandum of Transfer document 68  
1913 0.5 cm OUTSIZE  
[Document transferring ownership of Essington Lewis's Port Pirie house and land to Annie Amelia Cashmore, 23 October 1913. (The Lewis home was sold after Mrs Gladys Lewis had become ill with tuberculosis in 1911 after the birth of their first child James Essington. A new home was bought in Marryatville so the family could be together while she sought treatment.)]
- Medical account 69  
1913 0.5 cm  
[Account dated 8 September 1913 from Dr Dean Dawson, physician in Port Pirie at the time of the illness of Essington Lewis's wife Gladys.]
- Receipts for house loan repayments 70  
1912-1913 0.5 cm 3 items  
[Three receipts for payments made to John Lewis for Essington Lewis's house at Port Pirie. He had borrowed £1,000 from his father.]
- Identity card 71  
nd 0.5 cm  
[Essington Lewis's identity card during World War II.]
- Note book 72  
ca. 1934-1946 0.5 cm  
[Essington Lewis's note book containing addresses, directions to country properties, list of *objet d'art* items purchased in Japan in 1934, silver ware purchased in London, wool baled at *Landscape* 1936-1937, B.H.P. shares held , and other notes.]

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- Loose papers removed from note book 73  
1942-1943, nd 0.5 cm  
[Loose papers found folded in Essington Lewis's notebook above – 1. on blue note book paper: map with directions to property, with notes of power engines at *Landscape* and addresses; 2. note from doctor (?) about his diet; 3.-4. lists of his wine cellars at Camp Hill and "Kooringa", (Malvern, Vic) 1942-1943; 5. notes for leases of land from his father's estate ca. 1938; 6.-7. copies of two letters dated 25 and 30 June 1943 [the 2<sup>nd</sup> marked SECRET] regarding the opinions of a Colonel Greene of the U.S. Army concerning Australian industry and munitions production, and comments from J.K. Jensen OBE, Ministry of Munitions; and 8. various newspaper cuttings relating to production of pig-iron and steel, estimates of wool clip, live sheep stock prices, crossbred wool and the Canadian war effort (dates ca. 1943).]
- Papers and cartoons relating to Essington Lewis 74  
ca. 1973 0.5 cm Photographs & Typescript  
[Letters from Thomas Nelson (Australia) Ltd, Melbourne & Australian Consolidated Press Ltd, Sydney regarding request from Essington Lewis's son Robert B. Lewis for cartoons of his father, with two photographs of caricatures (B&W line drawing by George Finey and oil & plaster (?) portrait by artist 'Tanner').]
- Obituaries for Essington Lewis 75  
1961, 1964  
[*The News* 3 October 1961, *The Times* nd, reprint from *The Australian I.M.M. Proceedings* No. 200, 1961, *The B.H.P. Review*, October 1961, and *The Good Neighbour*, Dept of Immigration Monthly Bulletin for migrants, July 1964, p. 2.]
- Photographs of Lewis family 76  
ca. 1865-1944 Photocopy  
[Collection held by Essington Lewis's family? of late 19<sup>th</sup> C Lewis family, mostly unnamed.]
- Christmas cards 77  
1892,1940 0.5 cm  
[Two cards, the first written by 'Essie' to his mother in 1892. The second features a caricature inside drawn by 'Kem' of Adolph Hitler as a Nazi organ-grinder carrying Mussolini as his monkey. Sent by 'Tommy' in London to Essington Lewis on 20 December 1940 and received in Melbourne 7 March 1941.]

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- Tribute to Essington Lewis 78  
nd 0.5 cm  
[Typescript tribute 'Salute – Essington Lewis' written for  
an occasion at which he was present.]
- Certificate of life membership 79  
1908 0.5 cm  
[Essington Lewis's St Peter's Collegians' Association life  
membership, dated 23 November 1908, when he was  
living at Port Pirie.]
- Notes for a speech 80  
nd 0.5 cm  
[Used in a speech by Essington Lewis after World War II.  
Lewis mentions munitions manufacture and the  
Australian Prime Ministers he had worked with.]
- Letter to John Lewis 81  
1906 0.5 cm  
[Written by Essington Lewis at Port Pirie, 11 June 1906.  
He informs his father of his recent salary increase and  
news of work at the Port Pirie smelters.]
- Newspaper cuttings relating to Essington Lewis, his association 81A.  
with B.H.P. Proprietary Company Ltd, and his father the  
Hon. John Lewis  
1905-1992 0.5 cm Photocopy  
[Photocopies of newspaper cuttings]

### **Papers of Robert Brook Lewis**

- Correspondence of R. B. Lewis 82  
1960-1963 2cm  
[Letters received by Bob Lewis and copies of his replies,  
written while he was Master of St Mark's College,  
University of Adelaide.]

### **Papers collected by Robert Brook Lewis relating to the Lewis family**

Series 83 – 86 refer to Essington Lewis, series 87 – 94 to the  
Hon. John Lewis, series 95 to Gilbert Lewis, series 96-97 Tom  
Lewis, series 98-102 Lewis family, series 103 Jane Melrose,  
series 104-108 Bristow family.

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- Photographs relating to Essington Lewis, his parents and family 83  
ca. 1880-1954 3 cm 19 items  
[Includes 3 photographs of Essington Lewis for which digitised images are available on the South Australiana Database: PRG 247/83/1-3. Originals in Reserve; copies available.]
- Silverton Tramway Pass for Essington Lewis 84  
1927 0.5 cm 2 items  
[Free pass, first class issued to Essington Lewis to travel on the Silverton Tramway . A letter to R B Lewis from his cousin Tom Lewis in 1984 about the pass is included.]
- Certificate of Incorporation of the Industrial Design Council of Australia. 85  
1958 0.5 cm  
[The name of Essington Lewis appears on the list of subscribers.]
- Newspaper advertisements for auction of property owned by Essington Lewis 86  
1984, 1987 0.5 cm  
[Advertisements relating to the former Lewis residence in South Yarra, Melbourne (1984) and Bon Bon sheep station, 380 km north of Port Augusta (1987).]
- Letters to John Lewis from Crawford Pasco 87  
1876-1877 0.5 cm Typescript  
[Typescript copies of 3 letters written by Commander Crawford Pasco RN, of Alexandra, Victoria to John Lewis about the aboriginal tribe on the Coburg Peninsula, Northern Territory, and his time spent there between 1838 and 1841. A genealogy of these Port Essington aboriginal people has been compiled from the letters and John Lewis' book 'Fought and Won'.]
- Letter to John Lewis from his cousin Thomas Howell 88  
1894 0.5 cm Typescript  
[Letter about the whereabouts of Lewis relatives in Wales from John Lewis' cousin in Newport.]
- Report of the Pinnaroo Railway Royal Commission 89  
1902 0.5 cm Photocopy  
[Hon. John Lewis was Chairman of the Royal Commission.]
- Report of the speech of the Hon. John Lewis, MLC 90  
1916 0.5 cm Reprint  
[The Address in Reply in the Legislative Council on 2 August 1916, from Hansard]

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- Papers relating to Australian Dictionary of Biography entry for John Lewis 91  
1984 0.5 cm Typescript, photocopy  
[Correspondence with compiler R H B Kearns, a draft of early version of the ADB entry, and copies of published articles about John Lewis.]
- Typescript of radio talk on John Lewis 92  
1986 0.5 cm Typescript  
[Script for Territory Pioneers Series for broadcast on the *Country Hour*, ABC Radio 11 September 1986, with a letter from the writer Peter Forrest.]
- Papers relating to the Lewis residence *Benacre* at Glen Osmond 93  
**(See also Series 133)**  
ca.1923-1971 0.5 cm Photograph, typescript & brochure  
[Papers comprising photographs of the dining room, and early pictures of the first 'Benacre' and its grounds; letters between Sir Edward Lucas, SA Agent-General, London and Hon. John Lewis about the Italian walnut dining room suite at 'Benacre'; a sale catalogue for the auction of 'Benacre' on 1 March 1924; an article by Eric Gunton from *SA Homes & Gardens* (1 July 1949 pp 30-31); and a newspaper cutting about blocks of land on the Benacre Estate, 28 August 1971. (The photograph of the dining room has been digitised for the South Australiana Database, PRG 247/93/1.)]
- Will of Mrs Martha Anne Lewis 94  
1893-1894 0.5 cm Photocopy  
[Wife of the Hon. John Lewis, died at Kooringa (Burra) SA 3 July 1894]
- Letters to Gilbert Lewis 95  
1946, 1961-1964 0.5 cm 9 items  
[Letter from his brother James Brook Lewis, 1946; four letters relating to the death of his brother Essington Lewis, 1961; and four letters from author Geoffrey Blainey relating to his biography of Essington Lewis, 1963-1964 (published 1971 as *The Steel Master*).]
- Reminiscences of Thomas Lancelot ('Tom') Lewis 96  
ca. 1993 0.5 cm Typescript  
[Reminiscences of Tom Lewis, son of Lance Lewis, where he recounts his family and childhood in Adelaide, his schooling at St Peter's College and joining the Army in World War II.]



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Correspondence with Tom Lewis 1956, 1989-1999 [Letters about Lewis and Laidlaw family history]	<u>97</u>
Correspondence with Alexander ('Sandy') Lewis 1983-1995 1 cm [Letters about Lewis family history]	<u>98</u>
Family trees of the Lewis family 1990, nd 0.5 cm Typescript [Compiled by R B Lewis and other members of Lewis family]	<u>99</u>
Papers relating to James Lewis and family, Western Australia 1916, 1986 0.5 cm Manuscript, photocopy [Papers relating to a younger brother of the Hon. John Lewis who lived at Maitland, Yorke Peninsula until 1894 when he went to Esperance and later Circle Valley in WA. Comprises correspondence, photocopies of photographs, and letters from and relating to Cpl Charles S Lewis, 16 <sup>th</sup> Battalion who died in France in 1916.]	<u>100</u>
Report on Royal Commission, Mallee Belt & Esperance Land (WA) 1916 0.5 cm Typescript [Typescript copy of evidence given by James Lewis, farmer of Sunny Vale Farm, Circle Valley, Fitzgerald District, WA to Royal Commission, 13 October 1916. Report gives detailed information about his farming operations at Circle Valley.]	<u>101</u>
Papers relating to Mrs Sarah Daw, nee Lewis 1985-2001, nd 0.5 cm Manuscript, photocopy [Sarah Lewis, younger sister of Hon. John Lewis married Henry Daw, son of John Wickham Daw, on 26 July 1865. Papers comprise letters with Sarah Daw's descendants, Daw-Lewis family tree, biographical details and photocopies of photographs.]	<u>102</u>
Diary of overseas trip by Florence Jane Lewis 1909 3.5 cm [Diary by Jane Lewis, later Mrs Alexander Melrose) who travelled to Asia, North America, United Kingdom, Ireland, France, Germany, Switzerland, and Italy with her father the Hon. John Lewis and sister 'Nell' (Eleanor), 9 February to 15 August 1907. Page 40 has passenger list of the S.S. 'Empire' as at 13 February 1909]	<u>103</u>

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- Correspondence with Dr Leith MacGillivray relating to the Bristow family  
1995-1999 0.5 cm Manuscript, photocopy 104
- Papers relating to Eliza Bristow  
1993-1996 0.5 cm Typescript, manuscript  
[Papers comprising correspondence with Gerald Fischer and Geoffrey Blainey, relating to Eliza Bristow, later Mrs James Lewis.] 105
- Papers relating to R B Lewis' ancestors Robert and Janet Bristow of Kangaroo Island  
1855-1996 0.5 cm 1 cm  
[Comprises correspondence with Bristow relatives, Graham Jaunay relating to Moralana graves, summaries of biographical material about Bristow family, photocopies of Bristow certificates 1855-1953, maps of Kangaroo Island showing Bristow land ownership, and information about George Bristow Snr & Jnr on Kangaroo Island.] 106
- Papers relating to memorial for Janet Bristow at Penneshaw Cemetery  
1996 0.5 cm Manuscript, photograph  
[Erected by Bristow descendants in 1996 on a previously unmarked grave site] 107
- Correspondence with WA descendants of George W. Bristow  
1987-2000 1 cm Manuscript, photocopy  
[Correspondence relating to George William Bristow, brother of Eliza Lewis, and his descendants in WA. Also includes biographical & hotel licence details, copies of Bristow marriage, death & birth certificates, including English & WA certificates, and pedigree charts.] 108
- Papers collected by R B Lewis relating to the Cowan family, series 109-114**
- Photographs of Cowan family  
ca. 1875-1914 0.5 cm Photograph 109  
[Family of James Cowan and wife Sarah Ann, nee Warren, and their family, including Gladys Rosalind, wife of Essington Lewis. James Cowan was killed in a railway accident in 1890. Originals in Reserve; copies available for reference.]
- Cowan family certificates of births, deaths & marriages  
1856-1955 0.5 cm Photocopy 110  
[Most are certified copies obtained by R B Lewis]

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Notes and pedigrees relating to Cowan family nd 0.5 cm Manuscript	<u>111</u>
Will of Sarah Ann Cowan 1900, 1907 0.5 cm Photocopy [Will of Essington Lewis' grandmother, made 1900. Sarah Ann Cowan died at Burnside on 6 July 1907.]	<u>112</u>
Summary of deeds of Cowan property 1991 0.5 cm Photograph, photocopy [Copies of the summary of property owned by James Cowan, obtained from the Department of Lands by R B Lewis, with photocopies of four Certificates of Title 1882- 1885]	<u>113</u>
Newspaper cuttings related to James Cowan 1890 0.5 cm Photocopy [Copied from a Cowan family scrapbook, relating to the SA Parliament at the time James Cowan was an MP, a letter written by Cowan dated 18 April 1890 relating to the Commercial Bank collapse, and reports of the deaths of James Cowan and Mark Bullimore in an accident with a train at the Grand Junction crossing near the Dry Creek Railway Station on 21 July 1890, the inquest and Cowan's funeral]	<u>114</u>
Caricature of 'Dowie' by 'F.J.' nd 15 cm x 21 cm Pen and ink sketch [The identity of the subject is not known. Sketch found amongst the Lewis papers.]	<u>115</u>
'A Glimpse into the History of Dalhousie Station' (research paper) by R B Lewis 1994 0.5 cm Typescript [Text expanded from a talk given by R B Lewis to a meeting of the friends of the Simpson Desert on 8 April 1994]	<u>116</u>
'James Lewis and his son John' (text of speech) 1998 0.5 cm Typescript [Talk given by R.B. Lewis to the Historical Society of SA , 15 September 1998.]	<u>117</u>
Biographical notes on Lancelot Ashley Lewis 2005. 0.5 cm. Typescript [Notes compiled by Sandy Lewis about his father's life, including information from his WWI Army dossier about his serious wound received while fighting at Rafa during the Sinai-Palestine engagement against the Turks on 9 January 1917.]	<u>118</u>

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**Papers collected by Alexander Ashley ('Sandy') Lewis  
relating to the Lewis family**

Series 119 refers to Martha Lewis and James Brook, series 120 Bagot, Shakes and Lewis Ltd, series 121 R B Lewis, series, series 122 Lewis properties, series 123-127 John Lewis, series 128 Thomas Lancelot ('Tom') Lewis, 129 the Howell family, 130 miscellaneous correspondence, 131 Alexander Ashley ('Sandy') Lewis, and 131 miscellaneous papers.

Papers relating to Martha Lewis (nee Brook) and James Brook 119  
1872-1896 1 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of reports relating to St Mary's Church, Burra, copies of newspaper cuttings of death notices for James Brook (Martha's brother) and Martha Lewis, and copies of letters (originals in series 4 and 46) written by Martha Lewis and Samuel James Way (James Brook was a partner in his law firm).]

Papers relating to Bagot, Shakes & Lewis Limited 120  
1888-1962 1.5 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of records held at the ANU Archives of Business & Labour comprising records prior to sale to Goldsbrough Mort and Company Limited (1888-1924), the death of the Hon. John Lewis (1923), sale to Goldsbrough Mort (1923-1925), and records from after the merger and letters written from Lancelot Ashley Lewis to branch managers (1928-1962).]

Correspondence from R B Lewis 121  
1855-2003 2 cm Photocopy, Typescript, Manuscript, Photograph  
[Family history notes, correspondence, maps, photographs, and pedigree charts regarding Lewis ancestors Robert and Janet Bristow of Kangaroo Island (some duplicates of series 105-107), James Lewis and Eliza Bristow, and ancestors of the Lewis family in Wales, and letters received by Sandy from Bob regarding family history matters (1989-2003).]

Papers relating to Lewis properties 122  
ca1935-1994 1 cm Photocopy, typescript  
[Copy of a newspaper cutting relating to the Terrace Hotel on North Terrace, formerly the South Australian Club Hotel, copy of a Report on "Newcastle Waters" Station by James Brook Lewis ca1935, correspondence from Bob Lewis regarding Dalhousie Springs and drafts of talk given by R B Lewis, 'A glimpse into the history of Dalhousie Springs Station'.]

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- Papers relating to James and Hon John Lewis 123  
1991, 1998 0.5 cm Photocopy  
[Extract from 'The vanishing sands: commemorating 150 years of Brighton – South Australia. A history of a seaside town and its people' by Averil G. Holt regarding James Lewis, Eliza Bristow and Bristow ancestors, and John Lewis. 'James Lewis and his son John' (text of speech, 1998) not retained, duplicate of series 117).]
- Papers relating to John Lewis 124  
1873-1882 0.5 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of receipts, free passes for the Quorn to Adelaide, Hallet to Terowie, and Jamestown to Yongala Railways, certificate and receipt of registration of horse and cattle brand, and statistics and handwritten notes relating to wheat. (Some duplicates from series 25, 42, 43).]
- Papers relating to John Lewis after 1900 125  
ca1904-1925, 1958 2 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of newspaper cuttings relating to John Lewis, speeches made by John Lewis for the legislative council debate, copy of a certificate for Honorary Commissioner for the industry awarded to John Lewis, condolence letters, copies of menus and programs, and a catalogue of furniture to be sold at Benacre.]
- John Lewis death notices 126  
1923 1 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of newspaper cuttings of obituaries and death notices for John Lewis, and condolence letters. (Some duplicates of series 41).]
- Papers relating to John Lewis prior to 1900 127  
1845-1895, 1944, 1994 2.5 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of newspaper cuttings relating to John Lewis, letters sent to John Lewis from Martha Lewis and others, copies of tickets, programs, menus and plans for the opening of the Quorn Railway (some duplicates series 43), street maps and plot layouts for Burra, a Commission of the Peace Certificate, copy of RGS of Australasia Proceedings no.46, Dec 1945 annual address of the president, and a copy of Geo News, vol.1 no.2 May/June 1994 (Bi-monthly newsletter of the Royal Geographical Society of Australasia) which includes an article on John Lewis. (Some duplicates of letters from Martha, series 46).]

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- Papers relating to Thomas Lancelot ('Tom') Lewis 128  
1939-ca2003 3 cm Typescript, manuscript,  
photographs  
[Newspaper cuttings relating to Tom Lewis predominantly  
relating to his time as Premier of New South Wales,  
newspaper cuttings regarding a film on Cane Toads  
made by Tom's son Mark Lewis, letters sent to Sandy  
from Tom, letters received by Tom, copy of 'The Keys'  
unofficial St Peter's College newsletter 1941 vol.3 no.3  
and no.8, 'This England: a pageant of British history'  
program (1940), photographs and copies of Tom Lewis,  
his wife Yutta, Norman Lewis, Sandy Lewis, his sons Jon  
and Mark ca late 1950s, and a card with an image of the  
election rally at Randwick Racecourse 1975 featuring  
Tom Lewis with Malcolm Fraser, and memoirs written by  
Tom Lewis.]
- Papers relating to the Howell family 129  
1894-1923, 1995 1 cm Photocopy  
[Correspondence to John Lewis from Thomas (Tom)  
Howell, his cousin in Wales (Thomas' mother Jane  
Howell nee Lewis was sister to John's father James  
Lewis) concerning their families and ancestry, documents  
relating to the Howell family, and miscellaneous  
correspondence received by John Lewis.]
- Miscellaneous correspondence 130  
1876-1920 1.5 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of miscellaneous correspondence received by  
John Lewis, Jeannie (Florence Jane Melrose), Jane,  
Hughes, Tom and others, sent by Kath, Martha Lewis and  
others. Mainly concerning John Lewis' overseas trip after  
WWI.]
- Alexander Ashley ('Sandy') Lewis' report on BHP in Whyalla 131  
1952 1 cm Manuscript  
[Handwritten reports on various departments of BHP  
works in Whyalla made by Sandy Lewis during his trip to  
Whyalla. Personnel in each department are listed, an  
overview on the type of work performed given, and an  
analysis of the efficiency and effectiveness of each  
department made, along with some general notes on the  
town and community including the football club.]

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- Miscellaneous Papers 132  
1874-1980 2 cm Photocopy  
[Copies of newspaper cuttings relating to John Lewis, letters received by John Lewis, miscellaneous papers relating to John Lewis, and copies of letters sent to Thomas Lancelot ('Tom') Lewis from relatives in Wales (1980).]
- Papers relating to the sale of Benacre 133  
1968-1972 4.5 cm Typescript, manuscript, photographs  
[Papers relating to the subdivision and sale of 'Benacre', as part of the estate of Lancelot Ashley Lewis in 1968 after the death of his wife Gretta (Grace Margaret) Lewis. Comprising correspondence regarding the subdivision and sale of the land and sale of furniture, newspaper cuttings regarding the subdivision and auction of stately homes and advertisements for sale of Benacre, Benacre subdivision brochures, accounts and financial statements, lists of furniture to be sold, lists allocating furniture to Tom and Sandy (Alexander) Lewis and their sister Ann, plans for the proposed subdivision and final subdivision of Benacre (OUTSIZE 6), and photographs of trees in the gardens and of the auction in Lewis Avenue.]
- Papers relating to Lancelot Ashley Lewis' work in the pastoral industry 134  
1925-1947 6 cm Typescript, manuscript  
[Ring binder and loose papers containing instructions, recipes and correspondence regarding care of livestock and crops, construction of fences, posts and traps, and cooking recipes, 1932 newspaper cutting re L.A. Lewis and his work as managing director of Bagot, Shakes & Lewis, annotated copy of the NSW Department of Agriculture 'Overhead Silos: plans and details of construction' (1933), and an exercise book containing notes regarding care of livestock and crops, appointments and miscellaneous notes, and three B&W negatives of an unknown lake and damn.]
- Calgara Station 135  
1939 100 x 62 cm Typescript  
[Subdivision sale advertisement and map of Calgara Station, a property near Tintinara purchased in the late 1920s by Lance and James Brook Lewis, sold as part of the estate of L.A. Lewis (1939).]

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- Financial papers 136  
1924-1946 1 cm Typescript  
[Statement of receipts and expenditure for Mrs. M. Laidlaw, notice of cheque sent to Mrs. Lance Lewis, and Lewis Bros. partnership summaries of livestock and assets (1938-1946).]
- Photographs of Lewis family taken by L.A. Lewis 137  
ca1900-1914 3 cm Photographs, manuscript, typescript  
[Photographs of the Lewis family likely taken at Burra by L.A. Lewis, some loose and some stuck in an account ledger after 32 pages of accounts 1874-1875 and note written by L.A. Lewis 22/5/99, along with miscellaneous papers. Most are in poor condition and likely to fade.]
- Menus for dinners and banquets attended by L.A. Lewis 138  
1914-1915 7 items, 0.5 cm Typescript  
[Including a farewell dinner for L.A. Lewis before embarking on active service held by the Briars Cricket Club, and menus for dinners held overseas while on active service with autographs on the backs.]
- Photographs of L.A. Lewis 139  
1911-1932 1.5 cm 5 Photographs  
[L.A. Lewis and the directors, managers and heads of staff of Bagot, Shakes & Lewis at a formal dinner (1911), group portrait of L.A. Lewis and other members of the State Repatriation Board South Australia (ca1919), studio portraits of L.A. Lewis (ca1932), and a group portrait of L.A. Lewis and other members at the Graziers' Federal Council of Australia 45<sup>th</sup> Convention (1932).]

### **Papers compiled by R.B. Lewis relating to the Price family**

Robert Brook Lewis married Betty Lewis, the daughter of Sir Archibald Grenfell Price, in 1943. Sir Archibald Grenfell Price (Series 140), Price, Grenfell and Milne family history (Series 141), photograph of Edward, Prince of Wales (Series 142), photograph album of the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation (Series 143).

- Papers relating to Archibald Grenfell Price 140  
1961-1977 2 cm Typescript, photocopies  
[Newspaper cuttings relating to A. Grenfell Price including his publications, work with the National Library of Australia and obituaries, order of service for his funeral in 1977 and reminiscences/tributes, and papers relating to his publications.]



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- Papers relating to Price, Grenfell and Milne family history 141  
1890-1979 1 cm Typescript, photocopies  
[Copies of family history books with handwritten  
annotations and newspaper cuttings inserted, copies of  
newspaper cuttings relating to the Price, Grenfell and  
Milne families, and family trees.]
- Photograph of Edward, Prince of Wales 142  
1920 0.5 cm Photograph  
[Black and white photograph of Edward, Prince of Wales  
(later King Edward VIII) on his return from a visit to  
Australia in 1920 where he was representing his father  
George V to thank Australians for their participation in  
WWI. The woman to his left is presumed to be his mother  
Queen Mary, and the man standing at the far left is likely  
to be King George V. Photograph by Sport & General  
Press Agency Ltd. London.]
- Photograph album of the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation 143  
ca1941-1945 4 cm 79 Photographs  
[Black and white photographs of the aircraft and  
production factories of the Australian aircraft  
manufacturer, Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation  
(C.A.C.). To see the Series record and details on  
individual photographs do an ARCHIVAL NUMBER  
search on PRG 247/143.]