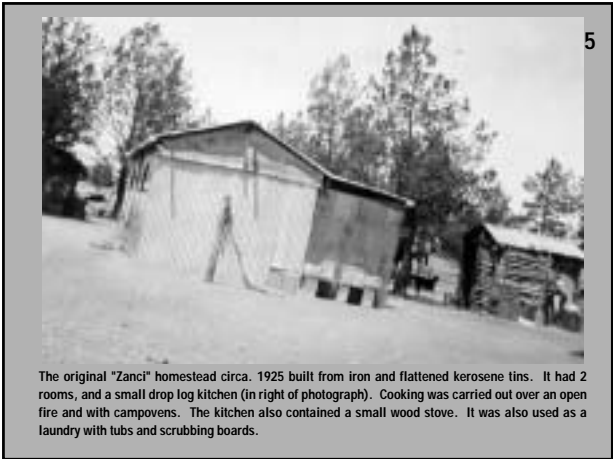


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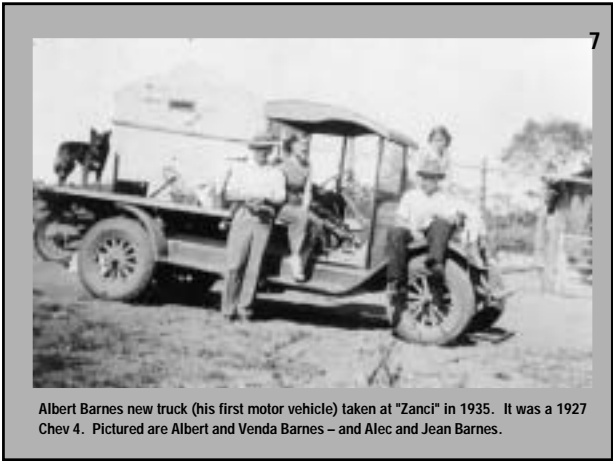
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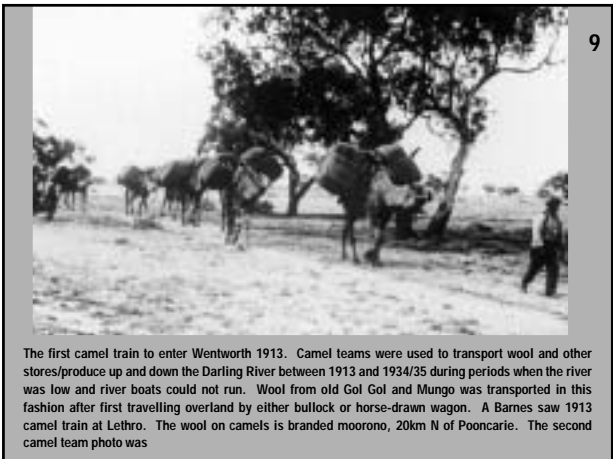
The original "Zanci" homestead circa. 1925 built from iron and flattened kerosene tins. It had 2 rooms, and a small drop log kitchen (in right of photograph). Cooking was carried out over an open fire and with campovens. The kitchen also contained a small wood stove. It was also used as a laundry with tubs and scrubbing boards.



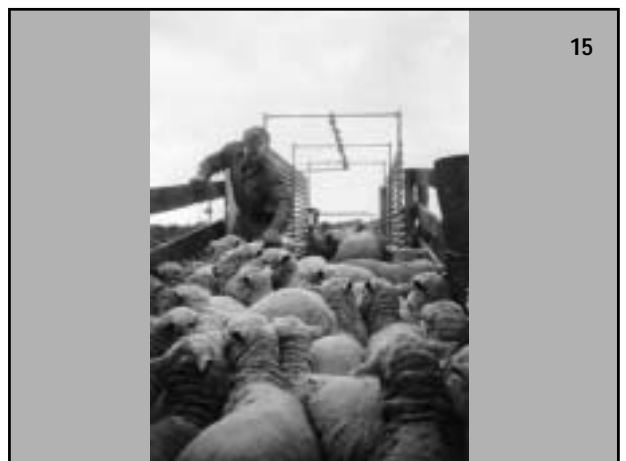
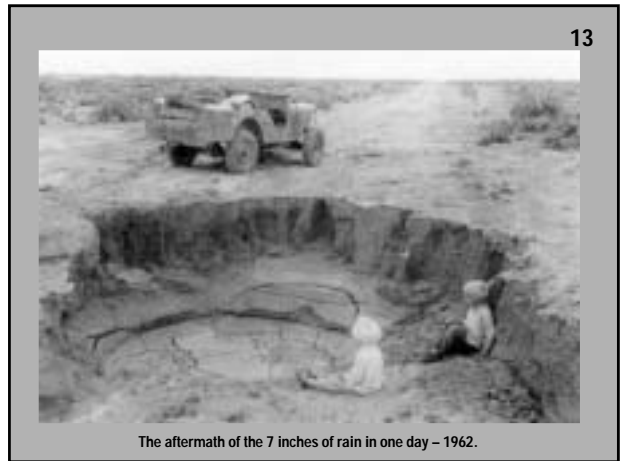
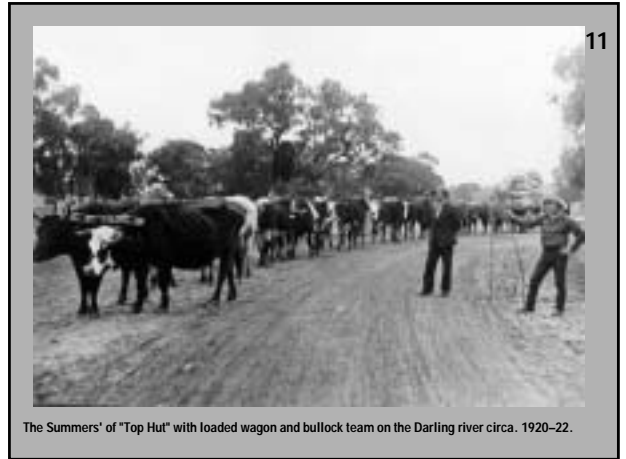
Bullocks drawing a wooden wheeled trolley (wagon) circa. 1922. Photograph taken at "Lelma" on the Darling river after a load of wool had been transported from "Top Hut" (next door to Mungo) to the river boats. The trolley was originally used to cart the Murray pine logs which were used to build the Mungo woolshed. It is reputed to be presently on "Top Hut" in a somewhat disintegrated state. Men in the photograph are Willy and Arthur Summers – one time lessees of "Top Hut" (held it for 50 years) and "Lelma". N.B. Mungo woolshed was built in 1869.

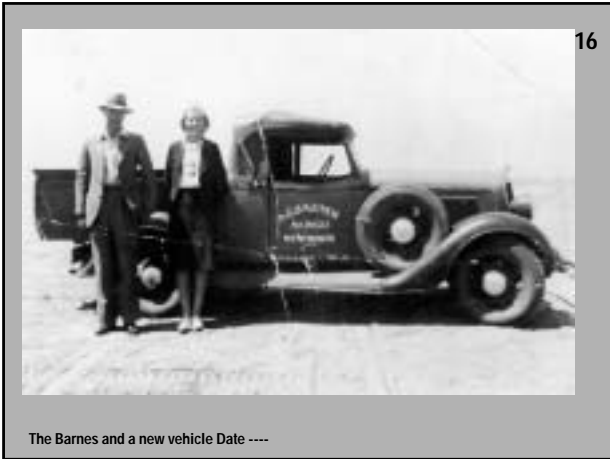


Albert Barnes new truck (his first motor vehicle) taken at "Zanci" in 1935. It was a 1927 Chev 4. Pictured are Albert and Vanda Barnes – and Alec and Jean Barnes.



The first camel train to enter Wentworth 1913. Camel teams were used to transport wool and other stores/produce up and down the Darling River between 1913 and 1934/35 during periods when the river was low and river boats could not run. Wool from old Gol Gol and Mungo was transported in this fashion after first travelling overland by either bullock or horse-drawn wagon. A Barnes saw 1913 camel train at Lethro. The wool on camels is branded moorono, 20km N of Pooncarie. The second camel team photo was





The Barnes and a new vehicle Date ----



Albert Barnes at "Lethro" on the Darling River with a thoroughbred before he purchased "Mungo" in 1934.



Carting wool by truck in the mid 1930s. Albert Barnes first woolclip was trucked to the Darling and loaded on the last of the riverboats. Subsequent clips were transported by truck directly to Mildura.

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Albert Barnes at "Leithro" with greyhound after hunting down two foxes (slung over handle bars of pushbike). Pushbikes were extensively used in the outback of N.S.W. before the advent of the first affordable and reliable cars. Tyres and tubes were often made solid to avoid punctures from sticks and burrs.

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The Mungo homestead after additions 1952-53. FX holden.

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Sinking the main house tank at Mungo with plough and buckscoop using an early model International TD 9 dozer.

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A newer Zanci homestead. Photograph taken 1940.

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This is a photograph of the old "Lethro" hotel and store which is located along the east bank of the Darling river. "Lethro" was the closest point of semi-civilisation to the inland runs near Mungo. Mungo is located 75 kms to the east of "Lethro". "Lethro" was the birthplace of Albert Barnes.

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Carting fence posts by Dodge mid 1930s.

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Bullock team and wagon carting wool to the Darling in 1922. Photograph probably taken at "Lelma".

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The first Baroona tours bus visit to Mungo in the late 1960s. They use to drive to the top of the Walls.



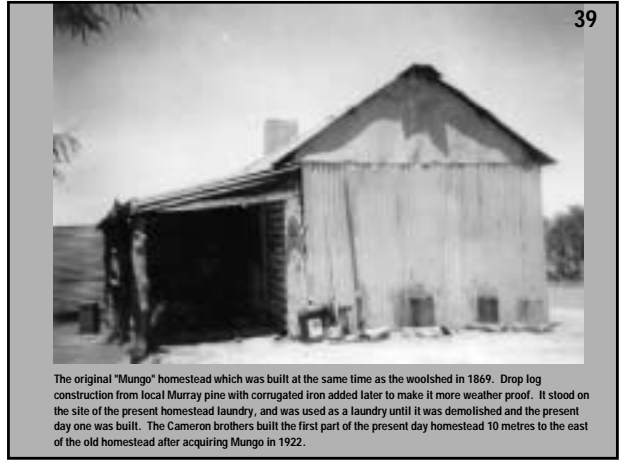
Albert's truck being used to cart wheaten hay to a stack on "Zanci" 1940-42. Roy Vigar planted 30-40 acres of wheat in two successive years near the "Mungo" boundary. Kangaroos cleaned it up both times.



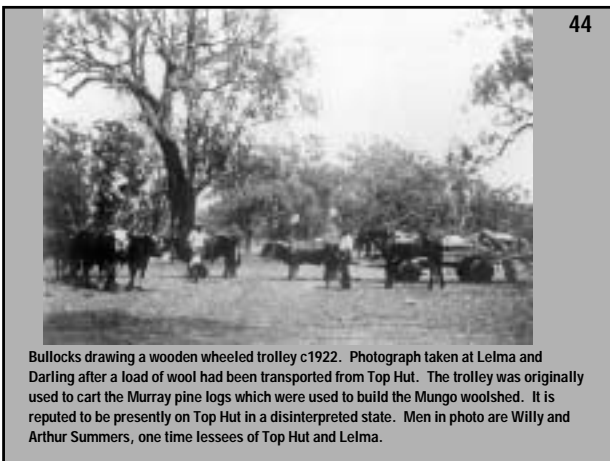
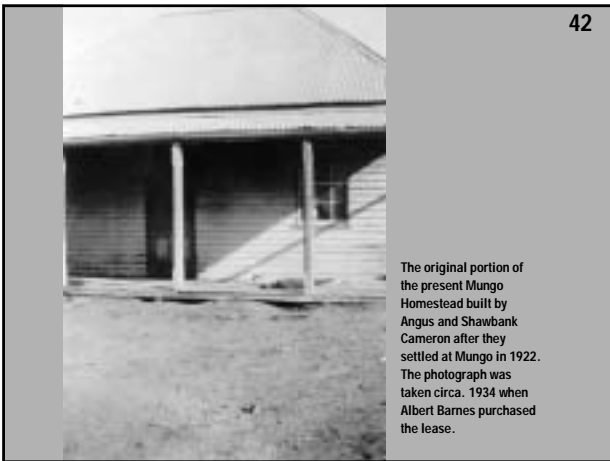
The tennis court at Mungo in 1936-37 when the original Chaff shed (in right background) was still standing and in position. It was subsequently moved to Allen Plain tank where it was used as paddock accommodation.



The Stirrat childrens first play on the red sandhills behind the "Zanci" homestead circa. 1925.



The original "Mungo" homestead which was built at the same time as the woolshed in 1869. Drop log construction from local Murray pine with corrugated iron added later to make it more weather proof. It stood on the site of the present homestead laundry, and was used as a laundry until it was demolished and the present day one was built. The Cameron brothers built the first part of the present day homestead 10 metres to the east of the old homestead after acquiring Mungo in 1922.



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The Stirrat childrens first play on the sandhills at the 'Walls of China' circa. 1925.

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A cricket day at the racecourse on Lake Mungo circa. 1935. A large clay pan on "Joulini" was used to stage horseraces between 1935-39. An annual event with 10-12 horses racing. An S.P. bookie was in attendance the last two years. Uprights of the thatched canegrass shelter are still standing.

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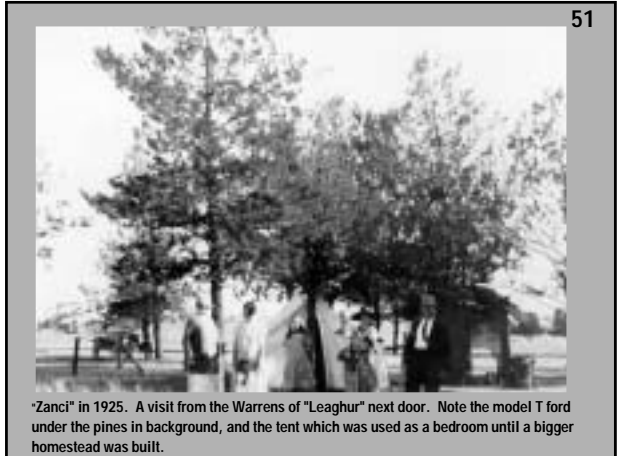
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"Zanci" in 1925. A visit from the Warrens of "Leaghur" next door. Note the model T ford under the pines in background, and the tent which was used as a bedroom until a bigger homestead was built.

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The arrival of the Stirral family at "Zanci" circa. 1925. Left to right back row – William, Ida (Now Mrs Hope-Mildura), Venda (who married Albert Barnes and lived at "Mungo"). Left to right front row – Jean (who married Alec Barnes brother of Albert and who now resides on "Joulni"), Nona, Don and Roger. Ida is a sister of Roy Vigar who acquired "Zanci" in 1922.

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General views of the "Mungo" homestead area circa. Early 1940s.

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General shots of points around the Mungo homestead. Areas where things have changed.