

HALL HISTORY THROUGH THE CENTURY

PART 1

- 19th Feb 1910 Discussions for a proposed School of Arts in Walla.
- 16th April 1910 First Trustees – H A Paech, P Mason, E G Wenke, F E Habermann, H Smith.
- 28th Jan 1911 Proposed to build Hall in addition to School of Arts rooms (Library Room)
- 11th March 1911 Cash in hand and promises totaled over £141 – plans drawn up.
- 13th May 1911 Hall to be 56ft x 30ft with Stage.

The land the Hall stands on was purchased from Mr E G Wenke's subdivision.

- 21st Oct 1911 Title Deed received for Land & Declaration of Trust.
- 16th Nov 1911 Tenders to be called for erection of building.
- 14th Dec 1912 Successful tender was Gamble Bros of Culcairn. £810.13.0.

The building was named the Walla Walla Literary Institute to conform to regulations of the Education Department and to obtain a grant.

Building Fund on hand £307.00.10

Govt subsidy received £124.18.9

20th Dec 1912 Contract signed.

5th March 1913 Foundation Stone laid by MLA R T Ball – present was Culcairn Shire President

W G Balfour – apparently weather was bad on the day because Mr Ball made comment he was amazed to see so many ladies present.

Total monetary gifts received on this day was £140.5.6.

Committee: President – Mr Harry Smith
 Secretary – Mr E A Carruthers
 Treasurer – Mr T E Grosse
 Committee – Messrs H A Paech, G W Griffith, E G Wenke, J J Jones, H A Lindbeck,
 J Boehm, V D Clarke.