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Tom Deag was in England when he applied for the job as storeholder and having excellent army (R.A.) credentials he was successful. He died in April 1943 at the age of 73 years, and left a widow who still resides in Footscray.

The storeholders job then went to Mr. Walsh. During the 1st war, W. Jack was appointed depot foreman (keeper) and held the job until he retired in 1943. He ruled the magazine very effeciently and was always reffered to as Mr. Jack not Wally.

It is possibly these factors which caused the locals to refer to it as "Jacks" magazine. Also it would be easier to say "Jacks" than "Saltwater River Powder Magazine", or "Footsxray Ammunition Depot".

When W. Jack retired in 1943 his job went to Ben Carroll who took up residence in the one remaining cottage just vacated by W. Jack.

Ben Carroll remained there until 1963 and transferred to Derrimut Magazines in December of that year.

The cottage, now empty, became a target for vandals and was soon reduced to a shambles inside. Finally, in 1968, it was demolished to make room for a car parking area. This was the last of the 3 cottages which William Smith had built in 1877.

Other names which crop up at the magazine area are :-

Albert Edwin Jack, ammunition inspector - no relation to Wally Jack.

John Keays, who worked at the magazine from 1905 - 1925 and recalls a story that three youngs germans were found hiding in one of the vacant cottages, This was during the 1st world war.

Bill Ginevan, Bill worked at the magazine as watchman in 1924 before transferring to Stores and Transport as a driver, first with horses, and then on Leyland and Crossly trucks.

James Shean, a stone spaller at the magazine in 1878. A fellow workman stole two of his hammers and the theft was investigated by Trooper Dungey.

In 1941 the magazine was under the control of A.D.O.S., 3rd Military District and was offically known as "Anmmunition Depot, Maribyrnong".

Wally Jack was foreman and the other civilians employed were :-

N.J. Bride	-	Storeholder
R.O. Reid	-	Storeman
H.S. Allen	-	Storeman (Temp)
P. Moore	-	Asst. Storeman
E.A. George	-	Asst. Storeman
N. Greenhalgh	-	Asst. Storeman
R. Oak	-	Asst. Storeman
K. Adeney	-	Asst. Storeman
J. Robertshaw	-	Watchman
T. Hocking	-	Watchman

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