

Leonard Maxwell MOTT 3-11-1883 to 13-11-1964 & Elizabeth Jane WILLIAMS

Biography as published in 1985 & 1995

Leonard Maxwell was the fourth child and son of Margaret and Charles Mott and was born in New South Wales. The year of his birth was also that of his cousins, Lucy Tucker in South Australia, and Hector McDonald and Archie Raggatt, both in Victoria. His grandparents were Rachel and Ewen McDonald and great-grandparents were Christina and Donald McLean.

In Europe the German scientist R. Koch discovered preventative inoculation against anthrax and, in Australia a boundary rider, Charles Rasp, found lead-zinc ore at Broken Hill.

Len was educated at *Rockwell* by governess and when old enough joined in the family farming activities at *Rockwell* and *Springmount*. He married Elizabeth Jane Williams, daughter of James and Eliza Williams nee Gilmour who lived on a property, *Sunnyside*, at Puddledock via Armidale. Later, Elizabeth's sister, Beatrice, married Len's brother, Harold Mott. Len and Elizabeth lived on a property named *Elm Grave*, Llangothlin, New South Wales, for fifty-six years and it was here that Len died in 1964.

Angus McDonald, Margaret Mott's brother, lived for long periods with his nephew Len, and gave him a silver tray which had been presented to him by the Longreach Show society in 1909 for having bred the champion ewe. This tray is still in the possession of Len's family.

Children of Len and Elizabeth :-

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| 1. <i>Effie</i> Hector James Mott | Born 30-12-1909 | Died October 1978 |
| 2. Hector James Mott | Born 26-2-1911 | |
| 3. <i>Ena</i> May Mott | Born 30-9-1912 | |
| 4. <i>Betty</i> Margaret Mott | Born . 24-3-1923 | |

- SOURCE : This biography was from page 123 of "History of Ewen & Rachel McDonald & Descendants" by Jill McDonald which was originally published in 1985. It was republished as part of "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" in 1995.
- COLONIALISTS : Christina and Donald McLean and their ten children migrated from Argyllshire to South Australia in 1837. This was in the earliest years of the colony. The McLeans initially settled near Adelaide where they grew the first wheat crop in SA. Then in about 1840 they pioneered the Strathalbyn area. There are now well over 20,000 descendants spread across Australia and elsewhere.
- CHANGES : Please contact us with additions, corrections or suggestions about any part of this family tree.
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