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Note on Currency and Measurement

It is difficult to compare the value of money in the nineteenth century with today's prices. Inflation has caused such changes that, for example, household goods worth 5 cents in 1900 would have cost \$1 in 1980, and about \$2 in 1990.

References to sums of money before 1966 are in Australian pounds (£). There were 12 pennies (d.) in one shilling (s.), and 20 shillings in one pound. The sum of 10 shillings and 6 pence was written as 10s. 6d. or as 10/6. When Australia changed to decimal currency in 1966, £1 was equal to \$2.

Measurements in the text are given in imperial measures as used at the time. Conversions are as follows.

LENGTH

1 inch = 25.4 mm
1 foot = 30.5 cm
1 mile = 1.61 km

MASS

1 pound = 0.45 kg
1 stone = 6.35 kg

AREA

1 acre = 0.405 ha
1 square mile = 2.59 km²

VOLUME

1 pint = 568 mL
1 gallon = 4.55 L

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Abbreviations

ACTU	Australian Council of Trade Unions
AHA	Australian Historical Association
AIAS	Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies
AIATSIS	Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Studies
ANU	Australian National University
AR	Annual Report
AWU	Australian Workers Union
CPA	Chief Protector of Aboriginals
<i>CPP</i>	<i>Commonwealth Parliamentary Papers</i>
DNA	Director of Native Affairs
FCAATSI	Federal Council for the Advancement of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders
IC	Industrial Commission
JCU	James Cook University
JOL	John Oxley Library
MLA	Member of the Legislative Assembly
NALC	North Australian Land Council
NPA	Northern Protector of Aborigines
NAWU	North Australian Workers Union
<i>QGIG</i>	<i>Queensland Government Industrial Gazette</i>
<i>QGG</i>	<i>Queensland Government Gazette</i>
<i>QPD</i>	<i>Queensland Parliamentary Debates</i>
<i>QPP</i>	<i>Queensland Parliamentary Papers</i>
<i>QVP</i>	<i>Queensland Votes and Proceedings</i>
QSA	Queensland State Archives
SALC	South Australian Legislative Council
TLC	Trades and Labour Council
UGA	United Graziers Association