

Even greater changes seem to have taken place during the ownership from 1934 by the notable Warrandyte builder, Constance Alexa Goyder.<sup>578</sup> Valued at only seven pounds in that year, and down to four pounds in 1938, the cottage's valuation soared to 42 pounds by 1944.<sup>579</sup> By this time, Goyder and her husband were living in the house she designed for herself at 300 Yarra Street.<sup>580</sup> The Russell Road cottage was let to William McGregor.<sup>581</sup>

Two cottages were listed on the Russell Road site by the late 1940s. The occupiers in 1948 were Alan Carter, a clerk, and Frank Rowan, a journalist.<sup>582</sup> Rowan may have been a friend from the time Goyder worked as a journalist before settling in Warrandyte.

*Of local historical significance.* as a typical early miner's cottage, much altered in the 1920s and 1940s, but retaining much of its earlier form. It has local significance, also, for its associations with district miners McAuley and Johensen, with McAuley's wife, a district midwife, and, from 1934, with local builder, Alexa Goyder.

### **The Hastings Cottage** **322 Yarra Street, Warrandyte.**

This cottage may date from as early as 1873 when William Hastings, miner, lived in a modest house with a garden on the site of 322 Yarra Street (Allotment 8A Section 18).<sup>583</sup> The cottage was most probably extended in 1881, when its valuation doubled.<sup>584</sup>

The tragic life of the Hastings family is told in the records of the Anderson's Creek Cemetery at Warrandyte. The oldest dated tombstone there was erected to the memory of Caroline Hastings who died in January 1873. Between that date and 1892, when William died, his wife and ten of their twelve children were dead. William, his wife Mary Anne and six of their children died of consumption.<sup>585</sup>

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<sup>578</sup> Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1934-35 Warrandyte Riding No.475 (Mary Reddie crossed out) NAV 7 pounds.

<sup>579</sup> Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1935-36 Warrandyte Riding No.188 (NAV 4 pounds); 1939-40 No.195 (NAV 14 pounds); 1944-45 No.197 (NAV 42 pounds).

<sup>580</sup> See research into 300 Yarra Street.

<sup>581</sup> Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1944-45 Warrandyte Riding No.197.

<sup>582</sup> Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe General and Water RB 1948 Warrandyte Riding No.2811 (NAV 42 pounds).

<sup>583</sup> Templestowe District Board RB 1873 No.337 (NAV 18 pounds 10 shillings).

<sup>584</sup> Shire of Bulleen RB 1881 Warrandyte Riding No.314 (NAV 20 pounds).

<sup>585</sup> *Anderson's Creek Cemetery, Warrandyte, 1866-1988*, Bruce Bence, p.43.

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After Hastings death, another miner, Carl Schultz, was registered as his executor.<sup>586</sup> A surveyor's plan dated October 1892 shows a house on the property. It has no verandah, faces the Main Road, and has a garden.

The cottage remained in the hands of the Hastings family over a long period. By the First World War, it was the home of Elizabeth Duter, daughter of William and Mary Hastings. She was there still in the 1930s.<sup>587</sup> A descendant, Peter Mann, and his wife, Joan, moved into the house in 1974.<sup>588</sup>

*Of regional historical significance* as the home of an early district miner, William Hastings, and as an early and largely intact timber dwelling in an area where few such buildings remain due to the impact of bushfires. It has *local significance* for its long and continuing association with the same family.

### **House**

#### **52-54 Serpells Road, Templestowe.**

Friedrich (Fred) Conrad Schukraft, orchardist, was the first owner of the Italianate house with its polychromatic brick work and slate roof at 52-54 Serpells Road. It was built for him by in 1885<sup>589</sup> by his brother, George.<sup>590</sup> The site was owned in 1881 by their father, Godfried Friedrich Schukraft. Before that it was part of an allotment in the Carlton Estate purchased in 1863 by John Blair Ferguson.<sup>591</sup>

Fred (1861-1931) moved into his new house (now known as 52-54 Serpells Road) after his marriage on 6 August 1885 to Minna Christiane Dehnert (1864-1948) in the Waldau Lutheran Church at Doncaster. Minna's mother was a member of the Aumann family of successful district orchardists. A daughter, Flora Alvina, was born in 1886, the first of six children born while the Schukrafts lived in Templestowe. A son, Herbert, was born in 1888 and christened in the Doncaster Lutheran Church where his parents had been married.<sup>592</sup>

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<sup>586</sup> Plan of Township Allotment. Warrandyte. Department of Lands and Survey 8 Oct. 1892; Parish Plan.

<sup>587</sup> Shire of Templestowe RB 1914-15 Warrandyte Riding No.62; Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 11933-34 Warrandyte Riding No.158(NAV 12 pounds).

<sup>588</sup> Context Pty Ltd.,p.57; National Trust File No.3852.

<sup>589</sup> Shire of Bulleen RB 1885 Templestowe Riding No.88.

<sup>590</sup> Uebergang, p.372.

<sup>591</sup> RGO Search 28089 (G.F.Schukraft).

<sup>592</sup> Uebergang,pp.371-372.