

San Diego.

28/9/62

Dear Jim,

Re old Police Barracks at San Diego

19/9/62

You may keep enclosed page from the "Historical Government Gazette" if it is of any interest. Although not connected with the old Police barracks at does illustrate the nature of the title to Crown land set aside for Police purposes - it is only a temporary reservation but it can be temporary for nearly 100 years. Longer, of course, if still required.

Similarly Crown land set aside for other special purposes is only a temporary reservation, although it also can be for an indefinite period.

The point at issue is that it remains Crown land, no matter what buildings are erected on it, & when no longer used for Police or State School purposes the temporary reservation can be revoked by Order in Council at the instigation of the Lands Department.

I therefore think it possible that the old Police Barracks is now held by the Education Dept only under a temporary reservation. In that event, & when no longer used for educational purposes, the temporary reservation could be revoked in favour of the Historical Society. The building has been condemned in its present condition & is entirely unsuitable for modern educational use. But it holds interesting possibilities for the Historical Society. It could be that the district inspector of schools does not understand the implications of temporary reservations.

If it is a temporary reservation then the least said about

at the better, because there is at least one other local club that might be interested in it.

Once certain that the Education Dept is not likely to use the property again, an inquiry could be made at the local Lands Office to ascertain the precise status of the tenure.

Sincerely,
Hart C.

P.S. Under the Victorian Lands Act 1958 (Section 14a) either temporary or permanent reservations of Crown land may be made by Order in Council for any public purpose whatsoever including a museum.

but even permanent reservations can be revoked - so what!

Under Section 15(2)(a) of the above Act, even permanent reservations made for the purposes of the Education Act 1958 may be revoked if the land is no longer required for education purposes.

Bridge

28/9/62

Dear Jim

Re old Police Barracks at Bridge

21/9/62

You may keep enclosed page from the Victoria Government Gazette if it is of any interest. Although not concerned with the local Police Barracks it does illustrate the nature of the title to brown lead set aside for Police purposes - it is only a temporary reservation but it can be temporary for nearly 100 years longer of course, if still required.

Similarly brown lead set aside for other Police purposes is also a temporary reservation, although it also can be for an indefinite period.

The point at issue is that if someone brown lead, no matter what buildings are erected on it, & when no longer used for Police or State School purposes the temporary reservation can be revoked by Order in Council at the instigation of the Lands Department.

I therefore think it possible that the old Police Barracks is now held by the Education Dept. only under a temporary reservation. In that case & when no longer used for educational purposes, the temporary reservation could be revoked in favour of the Historical Society. The building has been condemned in its present condition & is entirely unsuitable for any form of educational use. But it holds interesting possibilities for the Historical Society. It could be that the District Inspector of Schools does not understand the implications of temporary reservations.

If it is a temporary reservation then the least said is

at the better because there is at least one other local club that might be interested in it.

Please confirm that the Education Dept is not likely to see the property again, an enquiry could be made at the local lands Office to ascertain the precise nature of the tenure.

Sincerely,

David C.

75 Under the Victorian Lands Act 1958 (Section 15A) either temporary or permanent reservation of Crown land may be made by Order in Council for any public purpose whatsoever including a museum but even permanent reservation can be revoked - so what!

Under Section 15 (2) (2) of the above Act, even permanent reservations made for the purposes of the Education Act 1958 may be revoked if the land is no longer required for education purposes.