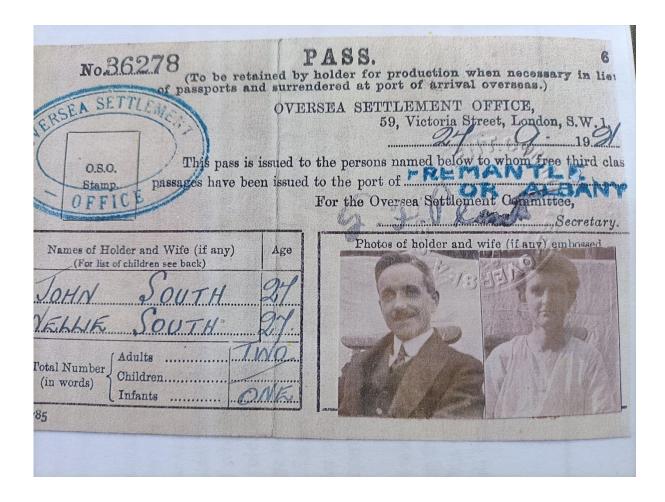
## **South Family**

John (Jack) and Nellie South arrived in Fremantle in 1921, with son George, born in 1920 in England. Daughter, Marjory was born in 1922. The names John, Nell and George feature on the WA Museum Welcome Walls stating they came from London, England.



The family took up a block in the Group 2 settlement camp. They worked with other families to clear a housing block on each lot. A ballot was then held to determine which block should be called home. Two more children were born in these early years – Owen and Beryl.

In 1926-1927 the Souths were allotted 'Redlands' Farm. George went to the Springfield school until he was 12 years old, going on to work as a 'whistle boy' in the mill bush for a few years. A whistle boy was a lad whose job it was to pull the

signal wire attached to the whistle of a bush hauler. All movements were controlled by these signals. Later when John went to work at Yarloop growing flax, George returned to help his mother run the farm. To help with finances, the family boarded the local school teacher.

After his parents passed away, George married Kath Bradbury and after a time they sold up and moved into Pemberton town. George and Kath did not have any children, but they had a large extended family. George's brother Owen married Joan Rann and they produced four children, Warren, Vaughan, Pam and Donna. His sister Marjory married Gordon Palfrey, producing four children as well – Judith, Chris, John and Ruth,

George had many interests. He loved fishing, with his favourite beach being Yeagarup. He was also interested in bee-keeping and had 2 or 3 hives which he kept behind his shed in Jamieson Street. He was an accomplished axe man winning many trophies over the years, and was involved in a log chopping event in front of the Duke of Gloucester. He loved his bowls, snooker and cricket, and was an active volunteer in his community.