



# Corner Country Settlement Shanty Hotels and Stagings Posts

## Shanty hotels

Settlement of far-western New South Wales began in earnest after the 1860s when increasing numbers of squatters, drovers, miners and prospectors began moving through the region.

Primitive buildings and tents were constructed in order to provide accommodation and liquor for those travelling with goods or stock.

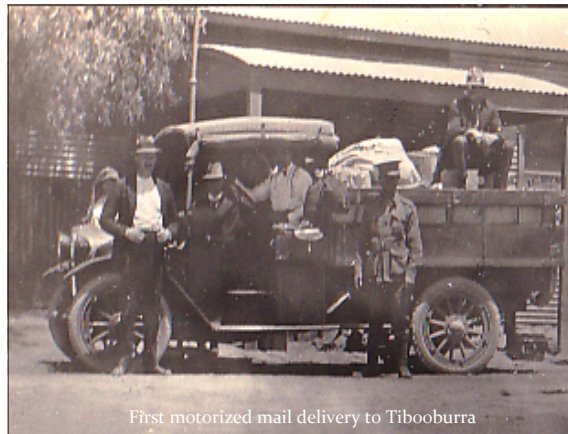
In the early 1880s coach services were introduced, firstly to provide transport and mail from Wilcannia to the Albert Goldfields, and later to connect with other mining towns in the Barrier Ranges and Broken Hill.



Royal Mail coach

## Coaches and motor cars

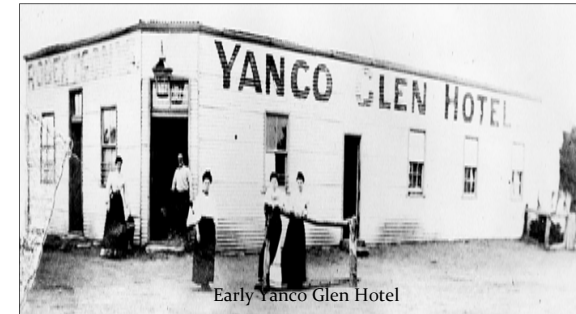
A far reaching network of staging posts was established at around 24 kilometre intervals. These provided a change of horses as well as accommodation.



First motorized mail delivery to Tibooburra

The network survived until the first decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century when motor cars replaced many of the horse and-camel drawn wagons and coaches.

Together with the demise of mining settlements across the area, modern transport forced the closure of most of the hotels.



Early Yanco Glen Hotel

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The Yanco Glen Hotel was a galvanised iron and wooden building with matchboard lining. It was originally located near Euriowie but was moved by the licensee, Alexander Robertson, to Corona Station in July 1899 and then to Yanco Glen in April 1900.

Robertson accidentally drowned in a near-by dam in 1901. His wife continued to manage the hotel until 1904. A succession of licensees followed until April 1984 when the hotel burned down.

It continued to operate from an iron shed for a time, but closed in 1987.