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Ketels, Olive Francis

(1915 - 2007)

Born	19151011
Died	20070825
Occupation	Journalist, Print journalist

Summary

Olive Ketels learned many aspects of running a country newspaper from her stepfather, George Hopkins, a newspaperman who started many newspapers in the 1920s and 30s in regional Victoria. She was the sole female linotype operator in Victoria, as well as a journalist, subeditor, layout artist and composing room stonehand at the family paper, the *Leongatha Echo,* which she kept going during the war, when her older brother was away in New Guinea. As a widow with a small child, she later went on to run a very successful business in Warrnambool (a corsetry & lingerie salon!) & was involved in many other aspects of the life of that town.

Events

1940 - 1960
Career in journalism active

Published resources

Site Exhibition
The Women's Pages: Australian Women and Journalism since 1850, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2008, http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/cal/cal-home.html

Resource
Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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