



Speech by

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#### E. J. FOOTE MEMORIAL PARK

**Mr LAMING** (Mooloolah—LP) (10.27 a.m.): Last Sunday I was given the honour and the privilege of launching the book *The Foote Sanctuary*, by Tamsin O'Connor. It chronicles 50 years of volunteer work in the community to look after the E. J. Foote Memorial Park in Buderim, a rainforest park—a very beautiful place. This park was donated by the Foote family 50 years ago as a memorial to one of its ancestors, Eric Joseph Foote, who died in France in the First World War. Five hundred Australians were being killed every day at that stage of the war.

The book is a memorial to wars of all sorts and to all the people who have been killed in wars. It is a very interesting history of the Buderim area, the pioneers, the original Aborigines and the Kanakas who worked up there at the turn of the century. The park is an environmental statement. Species of trees that were missing have been replanted to re-create the environment that existed previously. This book is such a good resource that I have decided to donate a copy to each of the primary schools in my electorate.

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