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COUNTRY NEWS

WOMAN PIONEER'S CAREER

COONAMBLE, Monday. — Mrs. **Emma Kemp**, the oldest living pioneer of the Central West, has died in her 97th year. A native of England, Mrs. **Kemp** came to Australia when 12 years of age, and lived for 85 years in the backblocks. She crossed the Blue Mountains when convicts heavily chained, were engaged on road building. She was the first white woman west of Dubbo, and, as a bush nurse, covered great distances on horseback.

She once helped the bushranger Dunne with food, and encountered Angel and Thurston, two desperadoes, who killed Constable Mitchell in Coonamble Gaol, and escaped in chains, both being afterwards shot dead by the police. Mrs **Kemp** has left 250 descendants, comprising 16 children, 130 grandchildren, 90 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

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