

### A Cheap Cleanser.

This cleaner is easily made and will be found useful for removing grease of all kinds.

The ingredients required are a cake of sandsoap, a packet of soap-powder, a tablespoonful of borax and a quart of boiling water.

Put a few scraps of old soap into a basin and dissolve by pouring a little boiling water on them. Then add the borax, soap-powder and sandsoap (which has been finely grated); pour the boiling water into the mixture, stirring all the time. Pour into tins while still hot. Old jam tins will do for this purpose.

#### Pumpkin Scones.

Take one cup of mashed pumpkin, 2 cups of flour, 1 dessertspoonful of baking powder, 1 egg, 1 tablespoonful of butter and 2 tablespoonfuls of sugar. Beat the pumpkin, egg, butter and sugar together, then add the flour and baking powder well mixed. Mix all into a light dough, press out and cut into scones. Bake until a golden brown, about 20 minutes.

#### Measures and Weights.

- 1 kitchen cupful of liquid equals  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint.
- 4 medium-size level cups of flour equals 1 lb.
- 2 large cupfuls of sugar equals 1 lb.
- 2 large cupfuls of butter (solid) equals 1 lb.
- 1 tablespoonful of flour equals  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz.
- 1 tablespoonful butter equals 1 oz.
- 10 eggs equals 1 lb.
- 1 ordinary egg weighs  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 oz.
- 2 tablespoonfuls of liquid equal 1 oz.

## To Remove Stains.

Iron mould-salts of lemon, oxalic acid or citric acid solution.

Iodine-solution of hydrogen peroxide in water.

Ink-oxalic or citric acid solution.

Scorch-hydrogen peroxide.

Fruit, tea, coffee, or beer stains—use water, followed by hydrogen peroxide or warm borax solution. If article is made of coloured material and the dye not fast, use water, followed by methylated spirits or soap.



These three pretty young ladies from Burnt Bridge had plenty of smiles when they met Dawn's cameraman. They are Eileen Button, Mavis Lang and Mary Button.

# CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Two Christmas parties for aboriginal children were held in the Nowra area recently.

At Nowra, 50 children were catered for by the Nowra Methodist Church on 19th December. Here the tables were beautifully laid with cakes, sweets, ice cream and lollies and the children needed no encouragement to make short work of the goodies. After singing carols and being entertained by Jim Little and his guitar (readers will recall that Jim Little was successful in appearing on Australia's Amateur Hour recently) they were visited by Father Christmas who had a present for each child. Thanks are in order to the Methodist Men's Fellowship and the Ladies' Guild who all did a splendid job.

At Yass, a Local Committee recently staged another party for about 50 children in the local park. No details are available at present, but we understand the party was a huge success.