## **ITEMS FROM COWRA STATION**

Joe Simpson is still the champion cyclist on the Cowra Station and at 83 years of age it isn't a bad effort although his brother "Froggie" recently cycled to Forbes and back—about 100 miles, but then he is only a youngster of 61.

At a recent baby show held by Western Stores in Cowra for all comers, Mrs. Agnes Coe's bonny baby boy Leslie took third honours in the 6 months class. His father Les has not been the same since.

Mrs. Daphne McGuinness is still in Cowra Hospital and all residents wish her a speedy recovery.

Meanwhile, husband Dick is chief cook and bottle washer for the family but up to date no stomach trouble has been reported, so Dick must know his onions.

The Baby Health Clinic Centre has commenced to operate on the Cowra Station with Sister White of Cowra in attendance. The first day was well attended and it is pleasing to see the mothers taking advantage of Sister White's knowledge and experience.

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Apex Club of Cowra has again come to the fore with a very generous gift of  $\pounds 20$  towards a Climbing Maze for the children's playground. The Welfare Board has supplemented this with another  $\pounds 20$  and the children are awaiting delivery eagerly.

## PURFLEET NEWS

## **ERECTION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT**

Some time ago the Taree Apex Club erected six units of playground equipment at Purfleet Station worth  $\pounds_{195}$ . Needless to say the youngsters have made full use of it.

## FAREWELL HARRY LANG

The recent death of Harry Lang, marks the passing of another old-timer at Boggabilla. Harry who was said to be about 90 years of age, died in Goondiwindi Hospital after a stroke.

The old fellow had been ailing for some months, but was not in any pain, and had been confined to his bed for some months. He was almost helpless at times and had a special sick room built at the rear of the house, where his daughter Mrs. Susie McGrady attended to him.

Harry originally lived at Toomelah before the Station was moved to Boggabilla, and he had lived in the district all his life. He was one of the Coomeri tribe, and in his younger days had been a good athlete. He was well-known as a dingo hunter and trapper.

Of his fourteen children, only two are living, and they are "Ginger" Lang and Susie McGrady. Susie said that there were twenty-three grandchildren, twenty-five great-grandchildren, and two great-greatgrandchildren. One of these being Pam McGrady's Bernadette, who is six month's old.

The funeral took place on the Station and owing to the suddenness of his death it was not possible to advise distant relatives of his death in time for the funeral, which was attended by all relatives and residents on the station. Reverend McGregor of Boggabilla conducted the funeral service.

Floral tributes were from Nina and Joyce, Ruby and Ron McIntosh and family, Leila, Ted, Julia, Boyd and Doug. Other tributes came from Mr. and Mrs. Woodbridge and family, and the Troutman family and a small posy from the manager and matron. At this time of the year when flowers are scarce, the wreaths made an impressive show.



Pretty Pam Clarke, of Walgett, poses for the Cameraman



Ist class youngsters from Nanima Aboriginal school