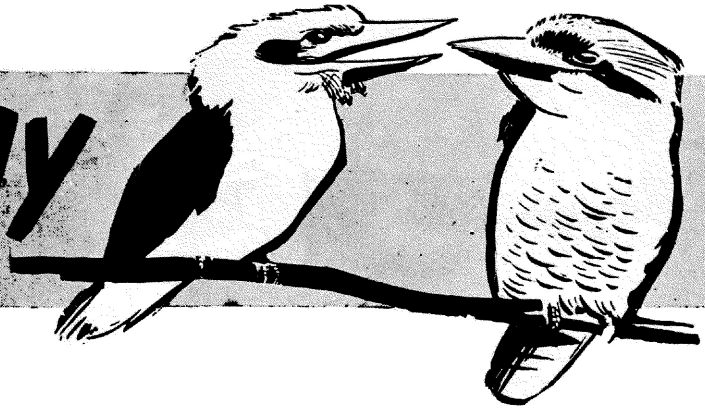


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NEWS FROM BURRA BEE DEE

Burra Bee Dee Station was saddened on Xmas Eve by the passing of Mr. John Goulding. The small Church on the Station was filled to capacity for the touching service on Boxing Day.

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Mrs. Jean Sampson of Burra Bee Dee is looking very well after her short sojourn in hospital. That bright smile is catching, Jean!

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Mrs. Millicent Griffith of Burra Bee Dee has also been in hospital for the past four weeks, but is now considerably improved, and she is hoping to be back with us soon. Her daughter Helen has very capably looked after her brothers and sisters in her mother's absence. Good for you, Helen.

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Mrs. Sorby of Burra Bee Dee has been gladdened by the visit of her son Walter, who is on annual leave from Sydney.

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The 63 children from the Station and the town Reserve all had a wonderful time at the Xmas picnic to Nandi. Needless to say all eyes brightened at the sight of the ice-cream, drinks, fruit and sweets, that were all part of the day. A special bus was chartered for the occasion. The three Grannies (Sorby, Fuller and Marney) also enjoyed the day.

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During the recent school vacation the young people of Burra Bee Dee have had considerable enjoyment helping with the wood gathering, "Tess" and "Jill" providing the necessary "horse-power".

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Burra Bee Dee residents and children alike all went to the New Year Carnival in Coonabarabran. They were very disappointed at not seeing a tap-dancing demonstration by Mr. Fred Griffiths, Snr., who is an expert tap-dancer.

Congratulations to Bill Quinn of Moolooba Street, West Narrabri, on his neatly kept home (and his lovely bottle trees). Bill's brother, Jack, once carried a 389 lb. bale of wool for 25 yards and then stood holding it whilst his photo was taken. That's a real man for you!

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Many thanks to Colin Morris of 894 Hillend Road, Blacktown, for a generous donation of books.

Colin has two aborigine pen friends, Tom Cain of Moree, and Ken Leonard, of Coonamble.

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One of Wilcannia's best known identities is 85 year old "Grannie" Quayle