

# ALONG THE MAIL ROUTE

## CARE OF TEETH

At the Summer Camp, held each year at La Perouse, Dentists examine the teeth of all the children at the camp and supply the Board with a list of those whose teeth require attention.

At the last Summer Camp, it was discovered that 20 children required urgent dental treatment and another 50 had teeth which required filling.

The parents of the children requiring urgent dental treatment have been notified, but the Board is sorry to say that very few of them have obtained the necessary treatment for their children. The Board is disappointed at the attitude shown by these parents because the health of the children will suffer if the treatment is not obtained.

The Board wishes to impress on parents the necessity of obtaining dental treatment for their children, where this is necessary, and hopes that the parents will do their part in sending their children to the Dentist.

H. J. GREEN, Superintendent.

## NEWS FROM WALGETT

Congratulations go out to Mr. and Mrs. R. Hunter of Walgett, on the birth of a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Morgan on the birth of a son and to Mr. and Mrs. George Fernando on the birth of a son also.

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The Walgett Station School under the guidance of Mr. S. Rixon and Mr. T. Crimmings participated in Education week with displays of colourful drawings and paintings, with the girls proudly showing their dressmaking efforts. Many of the local business people were present on Wednesday the 5th August, and the children's efforts were much admired. Afternoon tea was partaken of after the visitation, many of the school lasses assisting in this happy task.

Friday, August the 7th, was Sports Day for the Walgett Station School, and for the district Schools also such as Collarenebri, Goodooga, Carinda, Lightning Ridge, etc.

The marching children were all suitably dressed in blue and white, and were unanimously declared the winning marching team, and presented with a silver cup. The school also took the honours in the ball games and were the recipients of another cup, making the third cup they had won for sports in four weeks. Keep up the good work, children !

### ABORIGINES SUNDAY

An aboriginal preacher and about 25 children from the Tabulam Aboriginal Station took part in a special service in the Bonalbo Methodist Church for Aborigines Sunday, recently.

The service was conducted by the minister, Rev. D. McPherson, who visits the station to give religious instruction.

He invited the children to attend the service, during which they sang three hymns.

Mr. Bob Collins, a station resident, spoke on the significance of the observance and Mr. McPherson's address was based on the text "Who is my neighbour?"

An aboriginal who lives at Bonalbo, Mr. Pearson, played a hymn on a gum leaf during the service.

## EDUCATION WEEK WALLAGA LAKE ABORIGINAL SCHOOL

The Wallaga Lake school teacher and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. K. Arnold, were extremely gratified to see the interest shown by the residents of the Station in their school and its affairs, during Education Week.

Almost without exception, a member or members of each pupil's family attended and all were keely interested in the programme set out for them.

Pupils from each class read either from the school magazine or from books provided for them. Whilst one class was reading the others were going on with other work. In conclusion, the children put on a play.

Before afternoon tea was served, Mr. Arnold spoke to the parents and visitors and stressed the importance of the parents being interested in all phases of their children's life, both work and play and that the parents were just as responsible for the education of their children as he, their teacher was, and if both combined then the children must benefit.

The afternoon tea, served by the children, was an unqualified success and one lady was heard to say, "There should be more of these meetings", and to this we all agree.