PORTABLE RADIO SETS

The Forestry Commission is purchasing twenty-six portable radio sets with dry batteries carried in the same containers.

Total weight is 20 lb., allowing transport in back packs.

Short range at fires can be achieved with whip aerials, but by using long aerials slung over trees the range can be increased many times.

Cost will be about £90 per set and lines of communication are expected to be improved vastly as a result.

Radio experts say survey of areas should be arranged before equipment is purchased. Radio is the modern means of emergency communication, but to obtain the best results the topographical layout of the area should be taken into account.

Last month a Boys’ Club was formed on Moree Station and the first meeting was held in the new Recreation Hall.

Mr. R. Watson, who has generously undertaken to conduct the Club, has proved so popular with the lads that more and more are joining up each month.

The Home Nursing Classes recently inaugurated on Quirindi Station by Matron Tower have proved successful and popular and a number of keen residents are learning an assortment of First Aid, Hygiene and Home Nursing.

The Moree Station Brownies and Guides came in for a lot of well-earned applause when they took part in the Anzac Day march at Moree. Altogether there were nineteen Brownies and eleven Guides from the Station.

Our Moree correspondent tells us that gloom has fallen upon the residents of the Station since the news of the death of the Dowager Queen Mary.

No race of people in the British Empire has shown more loyalty to the Royal family than these people with aboriginal blood in their veins.

There is great joy in the Tom Brennan family at Quirindi, for at long last the Stork has left a son and heir . . . after a run of five daughters.

Mr. Jack Allen, a well-known Moree resident, recently died in Quirindi District Hospital after a brief illness.