Reuben Blair of Tingha has left hospital after a major operation and is having a holiday at La Perouse. Reuben has still another operation yet to come. Keep your chin up, Reuben.

When the Nania Parents and Citizens held their Annual Meeting recently the following officers were elected:

**President:** Mrs. Lane.
**Secretary:** Mrs. Griffen.
**Treasurer:** Mr. J. May.
**Committee:** Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Ah See, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Daley.

During the year £24 was spent on hiring buses for travelling to the Dental Clinic, diphtheria immunisation, and local sports, books and amenities for the school and a £3 donation to the local hospital appeal.

One young man, who is determined to get into the Army, is Stan Williams, ex-Kinchela boy and formerly of Burnt Bridge Aboriginal Station. At his recent tests he didn’t quite make the grade, but he’s determined to try again next year.

Keep at it, Stan. If every aboriginal boy was as determined to get on as you are, what a difference it would make!

Matthew Moynihan, of Cowra, is now back at the Children’s Hospital after a short time at the Coast Hospital with Chickenpox. The nurses say that he is one of the happiest children in the ward and don’t want him to leave.

Mrs. F. Campbell and Mrs. T. Rowe were the organisers of a Grand Aboriginal Ball held in the Kempsey Agricultural Hall recently. These two Burnt Bridge ladies and all those who helped so willingly are to be congratulated on making a clear profit of over £10 for the Aborigines’ Ward at the Macleay District Hospital.

Four hundred people, from as far afield as Sydney, attended the Ball, and a happy time was had by all. The white folk associated with the Ball expressed their delight and hoped that it would be the forerunner of many more such functions held by the Burnt Bridge people.

The Cootamundra Home was well represented at the Juvenile Ball held at the Cootamundra Town Hall recently. Lola Edward was awarded second prize for her costume, and Sarah Boland received a special prize.

Nearly all of the girls went in fancy costume and amongst them were noticed sports girls, a sailor, Dutch girl, Topsy, a fairy and black Mammie.

The Ball Committee wrote a special letter of thanks to the two senior girls from the Home for helping with the supper. They worked hard, side by side with the ladies of the Committee, to make the evening an enjoyable one for all present. Congratulations, girls!