NEWS ITEMS FROM WALLAGA LAKE

Archbishop O'Brien, of Canberra and Goulburn, recently paid a visit to Wallaga Lake, and after Mass he met several of the residents of the Station.

He was very impressed with the fine homes the people were given to live in and the beautiful scenery around them.

Joan and Arthur Andy felt very proud parents when they recently had their son Arthur Jnr. christened at Wallaga Lake, and young Arthur never cried at all when he was immersed in icy cold water.

Isadore Pickalla, of Wallaga Lake, recently presented her husband Desmond with a lovely baby girl, whom they have called Gloria.

Mr. Cowburn, Area Director of Education, paid a visit to Wallaga Lake School, and expressed the opinion that the Station had a very fine school.

Mr. Herbert Groves recently visited Wallaga Lake and met all the residents of the Station. He told the people that they were very fortunate to have such lovely surroundings and that they should take a pride in their new homes provided by the Aborigines Welfare Board. He also visited the school and spoke to the children.

The recent death of Mrs. Florence Thomas cast a shadow of gloom over everyone, for she was very popular on Wallaga Lake Aboriginal Station.

The recently formed Woodenbong Progress Association is anxious that residents take an active part in the renovation and improvement of their Station. Mr. Vesper has suggested that teams of workers should come forward without delay to start work on the Station roads.

A number of Tipperary flutes and Recorders were very kindly presented to the Station by Naylor and Co., of Sydney. It is hoped to form a flute band if a teacher can be found.

A gathering of Christians was held in the Woodenbong Social Hall recently. Visitors from Cubawee including Pastor Frank Roberts and Brother Dick Piety joined with the Station residents, headed by Brothers Frank Bundock and Arthur Russell in making the gathering a very enjoyable event.

Miss Harwood and co-workers from the Queensland University recently gave a party to the Woodenbong Matron's Tonette Club Members. The party was well attended.

Margaret Kay, c/o Mrs. Brabazon, Quambetock Station, Nelia, North Queensland, is very anxious to get in touch with her brother, Percy. Margaret will be pleased if anybody who knows Percy's whereabouts would get in touch with her.