Staff Changes

Four More Moves

The following appointments have been effected since the 6th January, 1936:—

Moree.—Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Butcher, appointed Assistant Manager and Assistant Matron.

Murrin Bridge.—Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Sully, appointed Assistant Manager and Assistant Matron.

Jervis Bay.—Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Heaney, appointed Manager and Matron.

Relieving Officers.—Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Walker.

Walter Page Passes On

[A Former Board Member]

With the death of Mr. Walter Page, at Woodenbong, on 9th March, passed one of the real champions of the cause of the aboriginal people. Walter was one of the early aboriginal members of the Aborigines Welfare Board where he was associated with the late William Ferguson. Once a month, Walter used to travel the 560 miles to Sydney to attend the Board Meeting where he was never hesitant in presenting the case for his people as he saw it. When his term as a member of the Board expired, Mr. Page would not nominate for re-election against his friend Mr. "Bill" Ferguson for whom he had a very keen regard.

At the last meeting which he attended, when saying good-bye to the other members, Mr. Page said that he had always imagined that the "Board" was some terrible monster, but since he had been a member he had learned that he was only one of the representatives of the aborigines and that every member was "on their side". He recognised now that occasionally treatment might not meet with the approval of some, but whatever was done was done with one object, the good of the aborigines in general.

When he left the Board, Walter continued to assist the administration as far as he could. There were times when he and Mrs. Page threw their home open to sad cases of neglected children such as occur from time to time. The Board's Managers at Woodenbong always spoke in the highest terms of Walter Page, his conduct and general outlook on life was an example many could follow.

Vale, Walter Page.

These handsome young fellows are brothers, members of the Towns family of Cannonbar Station, Miowera Siding.

This pretty lass is Marjorie Smith from Green Hill, near Kempsey.

If you look very carefully you'll find a little fellow hiding under that big hat. It is Michael Harradine of Beulah.