The Railway Picnic was held at Dubbo recently, and a large number of aboriginal people who work for the Department of Railways together with their families and friends spent a pleasant day in Dubbo.

However, for Mrs. Elizabeth West, of Brewarrina, the Picnic was spoiled, because she took sick on the special train coming to Dubbo, and had to spend her Picnic day in hospital.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Riley, of Dubbo, on the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Riley was formerly Delma Wright, of Moree.

Within less than a week, two brothers who were well known at Coonabarabran both passed away. Mr. Mick Smith, of Chippendale, died in Sydney on November 24th, and his body was brought to Coonabarabran for burial at the Cemetery at Burra Bee Dee Aboriginal Station. His brother, who was better known as Bill Goulding, died at Coonabarabran five days later. The two brothers were buried side by side.

We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Nelly Rolfe, of Enngonia, is recovering after a period in Bourke District Hospital.

Mrs. Isobel Leonard, of Coonamble, recently had a birthday (we didn’t ask her age) but she received a novel birthday present from her sons, a pair of beautiful guinea fowls.

George Morris, of Dubbo, his brother Rex Morris, from Byrock, and his younger brother Ivan Morris, from Tarcoola, are talented musicians. We hear they recently recorded a group of numbers, and sent the recording to the Amateur Hour. Perhaps when next we hear of them, they will be broadcasting.

Quite a few people from Brewarrina have been in Dubbo in recent weeks for medical treatment, and include Mrs. Linda Rose, Mrs. Milly Hill, May Warraweeena, Mrs. Hilda Cunningham, Leo Coffey, and Jack Coombes.

The death occurred recently at Coonamble District Hospital of Mrs. Lila Dargin, who was well known at Peak Hill and Wellington, as well as Gulargambone and Coonamble.

After a long illness, Mr. Walter Murray, of Wellington, has died. He had been very feeble for many months, and towards the end, he was unable to move about, except with two people to help him. Mr. Murray’s death will be mourned by his many friends in the West.