COWRA CHITCHAT

‘Doc’ Simpson of Cowra is still merrily making boomerangs and Sunday sessions in the horse paddock are now an accepted event, drawing quite a few interested onlookers. The golfers on the links next door complain that watching the throwing takes their mind off their game. Boomerangs have caught the popular fancy, and Joe Simpson despite his 83 years has whittled off quite a few for the younger folk.

‘Day by Day’ Bobby Murray is determined to get married but still won’t nominate the girl.

Mrs. Louise Simpson has departed from the Station to set up residence in Wollongong, all the residents wishing her the best of luck.

Cowra Station lost another old identity during the month when old ‘Ginger’, the station draught was transferred to Roseby Park for light duties. ‘Ginger’ was dearly loved by all and will be well remembered by all old residents.

It is anticipated to hold several concerts at Cowra Station before Christmas and the Manager would be pleased to hear from talent away who would contribute their numbers to aid a good cause.

These two young fellows are Lindsay and Percy Sloane, of Condobolin

MILTON FORD’S SUCCESS

Tall, dark and handsome Milton Ford greeted me with a confident handshake and a beaming smile on board the “Iron King” where he is working as a Fifth Engineer. Milton was born in Grafton 25 years ago; his father was a timber cutter and was earning the basic wage but was determined to give his son and two daughters a good education. He sent young Milton to the Grafton High School where he gained his Leaving Certificate and then started at Rylands Bros. (Aust.) Pty. Ltd. at Newcastle as an apprentice in engineering. After doing four years for his Diploma in Mechanical Engineering at the Newcastle Technical College, he did one year of Marine Engineering.

While at Rylands, he worked in the Drawing Office and different fitting departments at the Works. The management regarded him with high esteem.

In 1958 he transferred to Broken Hill Pty. Ltd. where he worked for four months heavy fitting in the machine shop and was then appointed as 5th Engineer on the B.H.P. cargo boats. His one ambition now is to see the world and he means to do this by transferring to an overseas liner when he has gained sufficient experience.

Apart from his engineering training he is a good sportsman, having played football for Central Newcastle, and is a keen hockey and tennis player. For several years he was a member of his Church Choir and with training could have been a second Harold Blair.

The secret of this young man’s success has been that he has complete confidence in himself, he considers all men equal, colour being no criterion of merit, and when he sets out to attain a goal he believes in achieving it with a strong will and the pride of his race.

Good luck to his ambitions to see the world and may he return with sufficient zeal that can be passed on to budding ambitious young aborigine lads like himself.