THE
CHAPTER OF TO-MORROW

WHAT WILL IT BRING THIS CHAPTER OF TO-MORROW?
WHAT WILL BE WRITTEN ON ITS FRESH TURNED PAGE?
WILL IT BE JOY OR WILL IT BE DEEP SORROW,
THAT WILL ITS DAYS ENGAGE?
PERCHANCE 'TWILL BRING A MINGLING OF THE TWO
BUT "GOD IS FAITHFUL" HE WILL BRING US THROUGH.

WHAT WILL IT BRING? WILL IT BRING CHRIST FROM
GLORY?
SHALL WE BE CHANGED OR RAISED BY HIS
GLAD VOICE?
WILL HE COMPLETE REDEMPTION'S WONDROUS STORY?
AND O'ER HIS HEAVENLY BRIDE WILL HE REJOICE?
"PRESENT" OR "ABSENT" WE SHALL HEAR HIS VOICE,
WE GLADLY LEAVE IN HIS DEAR HANDS THE CHOICE.

WHAT WILL BE WRITTEN ON THIS PAGE OF TIME?
WILL IT BE BRIGHT WITH PRAISE OR DIMMED WITH
TEARS?
WE KNOW IT WILL BE BRIGHT WITH LOVE DIVINE
AND THE SAME LOVE CAN SILENCE ALL OUR FEARS.
O BLESSED LORD AND SAVIOUR GIVE THE GRACE
UPON THIS FRESH TURNED PAGE, THY NAME TO TRACE
A MONTHLY MESSAGE

'Unto YOU is born... a Saviour' Luke 2:11

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OUR AIM

Our Motto: "Our God is Able."

The Aborigines' Inland Mission of Australia
Founded August 1, 1906.

OBJECT—To carry out with respect to Australia's aboriginal people the Master's Command—"Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations," by sending Missionaries to Aboriginal Camps and Settlements throughout Australia to preach the Gospel and teach them how to live Christian lives.

CHARACTER—It is interdenominational and accepts candidates who have absolute faith in the Deity of the three Persons of the Trinity, of the full inspiration and authority of the Old and New Testament Scriptures, and are willing to trust God completely for the supply of all temporal as well as spiritual needs.

SUPPORT—The Mission is supported by the unsolicited freewill offerings of God's people, given in answer to prayer.

EDITORIAL

Another year lies behind us—the door closes to with a very beautiful season, when we pause in our busy activities to think again of the Babe of Bethlehem, God incarnate, the Word made Flesh. We are afforded, too, the opportunity of expressing our love to one another and to those less privileged than ourselves. We are very grateful to all, who, in their love to the Lord Jesus, have prepared for a long time past the contents of the parcels which are reaching our stations, some have been on furlough—and I have been greatly impressed with the deep spirituality which characterises their lives and service. So many of them, too, have grown and developed in faith and feet, since they stepped out into the work.

In these days of distress regarding the great apostasy settling upon us, it is a joy to tell our supporters, from first-hand knowledge, that, through the grace bestowed upon us, not a tinge of modernism, and not an atom of worldliness, has found a place on our field. The fight with the powers of darkness is grim, and the evidences of the power of the Son of God Incarnate, Crucified, Risen and Exalted, is so unmistakable that no other position can we take but absolute faith in the Living God and He whom the Father has exalted to be a Prince and Saviour and to whom He has given a Name which is above every name.

The Cherbourg Convention afforded another opportunity to see something of God's dealings with those who have believed from amongst the Aborigines, and the possibilities of the future if the Lord can have His way in the lives now surrendered to Him. We saw, too, the malignity of the enemy against the progress of the Gospel, and the tenacity of his grasp upon those who have fallen again into his power. We feel the great need of the empowering of the Holy Ghost and the equipment that comes alone from Him, to meet the spiritual need of a great settlement like Cherbourg. The Lord has a chosen instrument in Miss Shankelton, who, with Miss Long, has been carrying forward to yet higher ground the splendid work of our former Missionaries. It was inspiring at the first testimony meeting of the Convention to hear one Christian after another tell how long they had been (Continued on Page 8.)
Our Aim

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SPIKENARD VERY COSTLY.

A gift of 10/- to Mr. Thomas for theUtility Truck he hopes to take back with him, for the work in theNormanton district and beyond,carries with it one of those price-less stories which fills the house"'with the odour of the ointment.'"After putting the 10/- in our broth-er's hand the story was unfolded.

About two years ago the only sonof the home (there are also three daughters) was taken to be with the Lord. Although only 12 years of age he knew the Lord in a very real way, and, besides witnessing for Him in school before his teachers and playmates, he was used mightily of the Lord to strengthen his parents' faith. His life towards the end was fragrant of heaven, and meant more to his loved ones and friends than words could tell.

The lad had won a gold medal, which, after his death, was put away as a treasured keepsake.

Then came a moment when theparents learned of the need of theutility truck. Desiring to have a share in providing this, and hav-ing, like many others, experienced the pinch of the depression, they looked on the cherished medal and decided to make the sacrifice. They sold it and gave to Mr. Thomas the money received for it.

And it was the first donation—an earnest from the Lord of what He will do with respect to the provision of the truck, and when it is in work it will carry a memory of a beautiful young life and the sacri-fice of his beloved parents for Christ's sake and the Gospel's.

The Victorian parcel of November"Aims," safely and promptly posted in Sydney, have failed to reach our agent. Inquiries have been in-sti-tuted. We regret this delay in the paper reaching our Victorian sub-scribers.

God always sends His staff with His rod.

SIFTINGS

The preaching that costs nothing accomplishes nothing.

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Apply thyself wholly to the Scriptures and apply the Scriptures wholly to thyself (Bengal's motto).

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Spread the sail when the breeze of adversity blows, and let it drive your vessel onwards on its course.''

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It requires a whole Trinity to keep a saint of God.

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Triumph over your feelings—by FAITH!

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Great tempest, great calm; Godproportions the comfort to the affic-tion.

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How is faith strengthened? By being much exercised with the OBJECT of faith.

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To love a small sin is a great one.

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When we ascend a hill do we rise in spite of it or because of it? The hill tends to force us back downward, and so we rise in spite of it. On the other hand, we could not rise without it.

"O, my Saviour, how dost Thou confound the pride and vanity of men, in relation to their genealogies, by having Thine composed of a long line of sinners!" (Quesnel).

MR. CLYDE HIGGS.

Some of the members of the Queensland A.I.M. Council arranged for Mr. Higgs to have, in Brisbane, the X-ray ordered by the doctor, and the result bore out the latter's diagnosis, the presence of a duode-nal ulcer. Mr. Higgs has been or-dered hospital treatment, and then rest. This came as a shock to our brother, who is most anxious to get into harness again.
HAVE had the joy this month of telling lots of people in Victoria about the changes the Gospel has made in the lives of so many thousands of our dark folk. They have been particularly interested in the fact that we are hoping (if the Lord tarry) to open a Training College next year, where our young men and women can go and be trained as Native Missionaries.

They have been thrilled by hearing some hymns written by young men and women who are anxious to go to this College. So many have asked me for copies of the hymns that I thought the best thing to do was to put a few here on our page and then everybody who receives the "Aim" will have a copy of their own.

The first one is by a little girl up on Woorabinda in Queensland. Her name is Doris Johnson, and she was only about eleven years old when she sent the hymn in. She was the very first to send in a hymn in answer to a Competition in "The Australian Evangel" the paper we print especially for our dark people.

Tune: "Jesus loves me".

**Jesus Christ, the Son of God,**
Who has died on Calvary,
There He shed His precious blood
That I, white as snow may be.

Chorus:
Jesus who loves me,
Jesus who loves me,
Jesus who loves me,
He died on Calvary.

Jesus pleading, let Him in,
Hear, O hear, His whispering call,
Open now your Heart to Him,
Let Him reign for aye, for all.
—DORIS JOHNSON.

June Hatton of Cherbourg wrote this one to the tune of "Only Remembered." She is only twelve years old, but already teaches in the Kindergarten and has quite a big class of beginners, that is, those under four years.

Tune: "Only Remembered".

None could have made such a wonderful ransom,
No one but He would have died on the Tree;
Now He has gone to prepare me a mansion,
Oh, I am happy because I am free.

Chorus:
Thus we'll remember, thus we'll remember,
Thus we'll remember what He has done;
Then at His glorious coming we'll praise Him,
And still we'll remember what He has done.
No one but He with such love would have sought me,
Through Jesus My Saviour I now am made whole;
Now I am His and shall follow Him closely,
Oh, I am glad He has taken control.

And now that my Saviour has gone back to heaven,
And all the way, praise His Name I can see;
And soon at His coming, I will be taken,
Then happy forever and ever I'll be.

JUNE HATTON.

I think this last one is particularly beautiful because it expresses the desire of so many:—"To tell of love divine."

It was written by Doris Currie, who has wanted to be a missionary to her own people ever since she was a small child. It can be sung to the tune of "O, Happy Day."

Tune: 866 Sankey's 1200.

"O, Happy Day."

Oh, Saviour mine, I take my stand,
Within the rank of Thy blest band;
With heart and voice what joy is mine
To tell of love and peace divine.

Chorus:
Saviour mine, Saviour mine,
Teach me to tell of love divine,
Who raised me up from sin and shame,
Taught me to conquer by His name,
Saviour mine, Saviour mine,
Teach me to tell of love divine.

My heart has been a heart of sin
Till love and peace and joy stole in,
Take Thou my life, let it so shine
And tell the world of love divine.

I feel Thy Presence very near
When all the world is dark and drear,
Grant this joy, may yet be mine
To tell the lost of joy divine.

—DORIS CURRIE.

I am sure you will realise after reading these hymns that our young people will make very good missionaries some day, and many of them are getting ready now and serving the Lord just where they are.

—R.G.L.
COWRA.

This month we formed a Junior Christian Endeavour Society, and re-commenced the Women’s and Girls’ sewing meeting.

The children were very enthusiastic over the former. Twenty-five were enrolled, and at our first meeting one of our shyest girls took the chair, while other boys and girls happily took part, and three more names were added to the roll. We are practising for an ‘end of the year’ evening, when, D.V., parents and friends will be invited.

The sewing meetings are proving helpful and refreshing to us all, too; the girls especially are entering in heartily.

We long to see precious souls coming into Christ’s Kingdom. Satan still holds sway over many lives, but praise God, “Prayer changes things.”

—M. CAMPBELL.

CONDOBOLIN.

On the 11th November we held the Anniversary of the Church. The meetings were well attended and we are very thankful for all who sent us picture and scrap books and cards. The children were delighted with them.

The children sang very well, even though we were not able to have much practice. In the evening the big people sang the old favourites, “Jesus, Lover of My Soul,” and “Rock of Ages,” in parts, and other hymns also.

The river is once again running high, and we have not been able to visit the Mission very often. We have for a long time been looking forward to the day when we could really occupy our little room on the Reserve, and at last the Lord has made it possible. It is not yet fully completed, but Mr. Huxley took over a few necessaries in his cart, and we are now able to spend a night or so there, and so have more time with our people.

We praise the Lord for the return of some who have wandered from the straight and narrow way and also for the loving labour of our men in improving the Church building, and caring for it generally.

Evil powers are surging around us and we ask prayer for a young man whom Satan has bound in sin, that he may be converted and find freedom through the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

—E. A. WHEELER.

BULGANDRAMINE.

Part of our last month’s experience was a flood—our river Bogan overflowed. We hoped that we would not need to move, but the water was soon to the height of our bedroom. We had been packing our things into suit cases to put up as high as possible, and moved as much as we could.

Our dark friends at the back had been very thoughtful for us all the morning. They took our things and then Miss Smith and me in the sulky to the hill, about two miles away. We had afternoon tea and then tea, but had no idea of where we would spend the night. But this had already been thought of, by the same kind friends.

We were invited to a new galvanized iron tent, with straw and clean sacks, and a lovely fire at the end of the tent outside. The fires all around outside each tent were a pretty sight. It would hardly be true to say that we really enjoyed Mother Earth for a bed, but we “counted our blessings.”

The next day brought the news that the waters had subsided, and we could go back. What a putting back of all our things! But we were very grateful that things were not as the last flood. Excepting mud, mosquitoes (four large cowls filled with water), and smells, we suffered no hardship or loss.

We are still praying for floods of spiritual blessing.

—M. W. WHITRIDGE.

YASS.

Again we are called upon to rejoice in our Omnipotent Lord.

The enemy’s tactics to deaden the invitation of the Saviour have been many. Several souls are under the shadow of conviction; eternity looming ahead, its horrors upon them.

The attendances at our meetings has risen, and ours will soon be the joy to call for rejoicing through sinners accepting the Lord.

With the anticipation of the removal of the people at any time to the new reserve, I sought the Lord’s direction and guidance regarding a place of abode and he wonderfully provided a room at reasonable rent in proximity to the reserve.

Later: The builder having completed the houses and buildings on the new reserve, the people are in the course of moving over there. Our church building has been taken down, and is now in course of re-
erection, and by an amicable arrangement with the builder, we are extending it nine feet. A gift lodged with our treasurer some time back, by a former missionary, made the financial side of this possible.

Friends who some years ago joined us in prayer for provision of land for a reserve will rejoice that the A.P. Board was eventually successful and they have now erected good homes and other facilities for our Yass people. —H. LANE.

CHERBOURG.

We have just closed our Native Christian Convention, but the blessing continues. Our people say, "Why, the blessing has just begun."

Our director, Mrs. Long, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, our missionaries from Gayndah, and Mr. Long, with the ever welcome Memorial Van, came to us for our Convention, which commenced with a welcome on Friday night, and closed on Monday night.

The Convention theme was "Marks of a true child of God," taken from the 1st Epistle of St. John.

Mrs. Long presided over the meetings, and messages were given by her, and the different missionaries present. The meetings were very good, the evening meetings being better attended.

A baptismal service was conducted by Mr. Long, in the Barambah Creek, on Sunday morning, when four of our Christians followed the Lord through the waters of Baptism. They were later received into church membership, and gathered with us at the Lord's supper.

The Monday evening meeting took the form of a consecration. First there was a short song service, followed by a bright testimony meeting. It was great to hear our people telling what the Lord had done for them, and of their desire to follow on. The consecration meeting followed. One of our Christian men, Mr. Joe Heggarty, was set apart as a Native Helper. Then the other Native Helpers stood with Mrs. Bailey, and the other Agents present. The meetings were very good, the evening meetings being better attended.

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wait until these plans are finalised, but in the meantime we commend this matter to our prayerful friends.

—E. TYLER.

CAIRNS AND DISTRICT.

Requests have come from the out-station and district, from the far end of the tableland and south, to come and tell them the story of Jesus, and to many I have made the promise to come, feeling I could not send them away without hope, so with the promise, to the visitors and prayer to our Divine Leader. He has led me out to the small camps, scattered in various places. On reaching their camp it was a joy to find eagerly waiting, oh, so long, an expectant people, for the true light to be revealed to them. It was hard to refuse their requests to come again the following week, or to state any definite period before I could return. Who will come salvation's story telling? Romans 10 ch. 1:14: 15.—A. LAWSON.

NORMANTON.

Quite a number have signified their decisions for the Lord. To God be the Glory.

We have an open-air meeting in the town on Sunday nights. A number of the men stand by me, and witness for their Lord in this way. They help with the singing. We have no musical accompaniment, but we have "a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God".

The reading class is doing well, and God has shown His hand in it as through Mr. Thomas. He sent along three reading glasses for Norman, Jiboom and Toby. Toby is now reading St. John's Gospel, and is pleased about it. One young man, Jubilee, who has not long started the Christian life has made rapid strides in reading, and carries St. John's Gospel with him as his lantern. Some of the views gave us an insight into the great advance of the Gospel in the far North. A young man gave a donation towards the building fund of the Native Workers' Training College. At this meeting we displayed a number of gifts ready for the Christmas Box. Our ladies have worked well and the joy will be theirs as well as the Aborigines at Christmas. The Service at Ashby Methodist on Sunday morning was a time of rich fellowship and blessing. The young people who were thrilled send an assurance of their prayers and added interest.

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converted and giving the name of the Missionary who had been used of God to lead them to decision. One could not but praise God for the strengthening of the work in the past year, through the organisation which has taken place. For instance the support of the choir in the large meetings was helpful, and the work of the Christian Endeavour Societies has greatly added to the general efficiency.

MELBOURNE ANNUAL MEETINGS.

Mr. T. G. S. Grieve, Hon. Sec., reports a splendid Annual Meeting. A very fine Spirit prevailed, and the attendance was good in view of the many other meetings held at the same time.

The programme included the Secretary and Treasurer's reports, a beautiful testimony by Fred. Beckett, of Cherbourg, at present a tracker in Melbourne, and Doug. Nicholls (the footballer), from Cummeragunja, our Station on the Murray. Miss Long gave an address, and also lantern views at the close. Mr. Higgs arranged suitable musical items.

The Chairman was Rev. Jas. McBride, President of the Victorian Advisory Council.

GEELONG AUXILIARY DOINGS.

During the month we were glad to welcome Miss Long, who came to do deputation work in our district.

On the Saturday night in the Methodist Hall a fine lantern lecture was given to a very appreciative audience, with the help of Mr. Deller, who loaned his lantern. Some of the views gave us an insight into the great advance of the Gospel in the far North. A young man gave a donation towards the building fund of the Native Workers' Training College. At this meeting we displayed a number of gifts ready for the Christmas Box. Our ladies have worked well and the joy will be theirs as well as the Aborigines at Christmastide. The Service at Ashby Methodist on Sunday morning was a time of rich fellowship and blessing. The young people who were thrilled send an assurance of their prayers and added interest.

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The wind blew wildly on Christmas afternoon—a hot westerly, burning as if from a furnace, seven times heated.

I had promised a Christmas tree at 4 o'clock in the Aboriginal Camp where it was my privilege to labour as a missionary. Some of the men had placed the tree in position out in the open and helped me to fasten on its branches the toys and gifts sent by Junior Endeavourers and others from the city, nearly a couple of hundred miles away. The wind swished the branches in our faces, and sometimes swept the toys off, but we struggled on and soon delighted children jumped around the first Xmas tree they had ever seen.

Men and women, too, gathered in childish glee, and wondered if there was any gift labelled with their name. Sure enough, as the distribution proceeded, they merrily answered the call. Ties for men, penknives, too, blouses and sewing bags for women and texts for their walls and a red marked testament for every man.

A man we had long heard of, and often sought for, was present that day, and after much coaxing came shyly took the testament offered him and pushed it into his pocket.

When no other eye was looking he hastily tied it in an old handkerchief and thrust it far up the chimney, and there on a little ledge it rested for months. Jack did not attend the meetings and avoided meeting me so completely that during this time I saw him but once, and then I had only time to say—"I'm praying for you," and he was off out of sight.

However, one Sunday we noted him amongst the congregation, and saw his intense feeling as we told of Jesus, the Mighty to Save, and of the new life to be lived by the faith of the Son of God.

A Series of Short Stories of Real Australians — the Aborigines.

JACK MILLER
or,
HE HEARD ME—I AM HIS.

The Spirit of God laid hold of this poor aboriginal so mightily, that he was consumed with trouble, because of his unsaved state, and he stole away to the solitude of the bush to hide his agony of soul. While there, the memory of the hidden New Testament came as a flash from heaven, and he hurried to the place of concealment, and there he found it covered with soot, begrimed with smoke, but still the living Word of the Living God. Once in the dim past he had patronised school for a short time, and had learnt the alphabet and a few simple words. For hours, alone in the bush, he deciphered the letters, and slowly the words came back to him, and at last he read, as if written in letters of fire, "Let not your heart be troubled." The Light of God streamed in and scattered the darkness; a new joy, a startling hope thrilled his heart. "A new man," a new creation, he truly was from that hour. Yesterday, thought he, I begged what I needed and stole what I could; to-day I must work. Like the tramp who joined the Gulgandra contingent, he said: "I was 'out' yesterday, to-day I'm a man. Yes, I must work a bit now! What! Where?" And for a moment the new light was darkness—a wasted life lay behind—an odorous name clung like chains around his feet, an iron door barred tight in front of him, forbade him step ahead—he was an outcast—No! He was yesterday, but not to-day, for now, "now," the words came gurgling as fresh-springing waters into his soul—he had heard his missionary often say them. "'Now, therefore, there is no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus,'" No condemnation! In Christ Jesus. A child of a King—God's child. A mighty hope, this. "Yes," thought he, as he straightened himself and took his first look up into a Father's face, "and the Missionary says—'God answers prayer.'" Down on his knees he went, and he prayed. God knows what he said, and God answered.

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GOD SPEAKS

A Christian man in a time of great sorrow and loneliness, thought he would try smoking to soothe his nerves. Although he did not become a great smoker he admitted deriving some comfort from the habit. After a while he realised how much money was continually being spent for "smoke," and came to the conclusion he should forego this pleasure and give the money to a better purpose.

One night, when present at an A.I.M. monthly prayer meeting, held at the church where he worships, prayer was asked for the Missionaries at Walgett, especially in their need of a horse, so as to enable them to drive to town for their provisions, mail, etc.

At the close of the meeting this brother came forward and told the missionary that he would give the money he would save, by giving up smoking, towards helping the missionaries at Walgett, adding that the money might help towards driving the vehicle at Walgett, but it couldn't accomplish anything of worth when spent as heretofore. He has since passed into the office two donations for this part of our A.I.M. field.
On an English Almanac block two or three years ago we were surprised to see the following:—

"Nathaniel Pepper was the first of the Australian Aborigines to be brought to Christ, after thirty-five years' patient seed sowing. The event was so striking that a public meeting, over which the mayor presided, was called to give thanks."

Dr. A. T. Pierson.

Through our Missionaries on the Victorian border, principally Miss Sutton, whose Van traversed the district, we had become acquainted with a lovely old Aboriginal couple at Mystic Park, who bear the name of Pepper. Thinking of a possible connection with Nathaniel Pepper, we asked Miss Sutton to endeavour to find out for us if it were so.

Mrs. Pepper gladly supplied the required information, which confirms the connection. Her husband, Archie Pepper, is a brother of Nathaniel Pepper. She tells us that Nathaniel became a preacher of the Gospel. He died and was buried on the old Mission Station, Ramalyuck in Gippsland, by the Missionary, Mr. Haganuer. His brother, Philip, was also a preacher of the Gospel. He is buried at the old Ebenzer Mission Station, Dimboola.

Archie Pepper still lives, and his wife also, at Mystic Park. Although the Missionaries only visit them at long intervals they have built themselves a tiny church, with walls of kerosene tins. On the visit of the Memorial Van, Mr. Long sat with them in this House of God, where to the eye of faith the glory of the Lord is revealed. The old lady's face was beaming, as she talked of the things of God, and she said: "You know, I often think of the time when we will come in and sit down with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, but" (and this with unfeigned delight), "most bestest of all will be when the Lord Himself comes around and visits us!"

So the past is linked with the present and carried forward to the future—when many saved Aborigines of Australia will rejoice together with the great company of the Redeemed—through the faithful ministry of His missionary servants.

NATIVE TRAINING COLLEGE.

The proposed Bible and Missionary College for training Native Workers to be situated on the Queensland border has received attention from the Lord's people. The Director in her Annual Meeting address placed it before those assembled. A few days afterwards a young lady in Chatswood gave 10/- towards the fund. A week or so later £50 was sent from a lady in Manly, N.S.W., for the same purpose. Then the Native Christians at Cherbourg Convention gave £13/-, and a dear aged sister earned £1 1/- by tatting (her only order executed for some time), and gave it for the College. Miss Long has received several other amounts in Victoria.

For all these encouragements we give praise to God and ask in very definite prayer that the Lord will enable us to open the College in the coming year.

THE WALGETT HORSE.

The need of a horse for Walgett has been before us for prayer for some time. Miss Cavanagh has now been able to procure one, and also a set of second hand harness in the place of the old harness which had perished, the Lord graciously providing the where-withal. With the means of conveyance set up the situation at Walgett will be eased and more work made possible.

STOVE AND CHAIRS FOR PERCH CREEK.

A very nice new stove and two chairs have been received with much gratitude by the Woorabinda Missionaries, as gifts from Rannes to the Perch Creek Mission House. The new back verandah is also an added comfort.
December 15, 1934.

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**OUR STANDARD BEARERS.**

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have had good opportunities to tell of their work, and are open for further invitations. Mr. Thomas has given lantern talks at Leichhardt Congregational and Leichhardt Baptist Churches, and at the Memorial Hall, Hurstville, and the Church of Christ, Tempe.

Miss Eadie has been in Sydney from Boomi for three or four weeks holiday, and will be back at her station in the second week of December.

Miss G. Bailey, who has been at Tabulam for some time, has been transferred to Dennawan, where she will work in association with Miss Ginger.

Mr. R. T. Harris, of Tingha, underwent an operation in the St. George's District Hospital, on the 25th November, which was successful, and he is making good progress towards recovery.

Miss Byron has gone for two or three weeks to Cherbourg. The doctor is unwilling to pass her yet for Menindee, but consented to her going temporarily to a place in her own state, believing it would be beneficial.

Miss McLean, who has been a long time alone at Moonah Cullah, tells that the flood conditions have cut them off, to an extent, from Deniliquin.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who have had a month at Murgon, have returned to Gayndah. Mr. and Mrs. Smyth, our associate workers, lent them their home while they went away for a holiday.

Miss Christie has had a month in Cairns with our kind friends, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, who have served us so wonderfully by entertaining several of our North Queensland Missionaries during their holidays.

Mr. W. A. Long arrived in Sydney with the Memorial Van, on November 24, after over 14 months in Queensland.

Mr. E. Buckley, Superintendent of the district, paid a fortnight's visit to Tweed Heads, to give some help and encouragement. He found that Mr. Higgs had done splendid work before his illness, and Mr. Fred Blunt has since faithfully discharged double duties, working very hard indeed.

Miss Cavanagh rejoices in the Christmas gift of a bicycle, and hopes to learn to ride and make good use of it in the work.
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20. Yass, Paddman, Brungle:
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30. Caime Islands:
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31. Cooktowna, Vacant.

32. Ravenshoe, Millan Millan, Chillagoe, Evelyn:
    MISS F. CHRISTIE, Ravenshoe.

33. Heron Island, Atherton:
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    Mareebie: MISS KILLWORTH (Associate).

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Tasmania:

35. Cape Barren Island (Half-Caste Settlement):
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