



Along the Mail Route

The people at Moonahcullah are fortunate to have a visit every second Sunday from Mr. and Mrs. V. Page and Miss P. Satoria, from Deniliquin. Miss Satoria and Mrs. Page look after the large Sunday School which has been formed, and Mr. Page then conducts a church service.

Perhaps the most important development recently, at Moonahcullah, has been the greatly increased interest of the people in Deniliquin for the welfare of the residents of the station. It is expected that this interest will lead to some real, practical help in the near future. The main reason for this increased interest is the participation of the school children in the inter-school sports last year, and then a very creditable performance at the Choral and Verse-speaking Festival in the Deniliquin Town Hall.

Early this year, the District Inspector of Schools, Mr. B. G. Watt, B.A., visited the Moonahcullah School and presented the prizes to pupils who had done well during 1953. Those who received prizes were Lona Day, Muriel Day, Ernest Taylor and Ralph Day. The Inspector stated he was very pleased with the progress of the pupils, some of whom had never attended school prior to 1952. Seven pupils began fourth class at the beginning of this year and will sit for the normal annual examination at the beginning of July.

Congratulations to Harry Briggs (Snr.) for the very fine job he is making in transforming one of the old houses on the Station into a really nice home. The remarkable change brought about by a coat of paint and kalsomine is well worth the effort and should set a good example for some of the other residents.

The residents of Brewarrina Station are planning a corroboree for early in September. This is going to be a really big affair and should attract hundreds of visitors.

Any readers of *Dawn* who are good singers or dancers and would like to join in the fun should contact the station manager without delay.

It is with regret that *Dawn* announces the death of Noelene Elsie Ward, a resident of Burnt Bridge, who recently passed away in the Newcastle General Hospital. Sympathy is extended to her mother, sisters, brothers, and other relations.

The newly formed Girls' Basket-ball Team from Burnt Bridge, under the capable management of Mr. Jim Stirling, teacher at Burnt Bridge Public School, will soon be seen in their new playing colours, royal blue, with gold trimmings. These tunics were donated to the team from the Burnt Bridge Social Club funds.

Boxing tournaments are being held regularly in the Agricultural Hall of the Kempsey Showground, and many lads from Burnt Bridge Station have already participated.

Ritchie Sands, brother of the late Dave Sands, is giving tuition to many youngsters in the Recreation Hall on Burnt Bridge practically every night. A number of lads from Burnt Bridge have already been matched with the boys from the Kinchela Boys Training Home.

Patricia Elaine Taylor, of Burnt Bridge, was recently admitted to Waterfall Sanatorium, and all the local residents wish her a very speedy recovery.



Young Billy Hughes drives the tractor on the farm where he works.