



Along the Mail Route

A Coronet dance was held on Moree Station on the evening of 2nd June, when a prize was offered for the best coronet. The judging was in the hands of Mrs. J. Burless, wife of the district Welfare Officer, who selected Miss Delphine Binge as the winner.

Immediately after Delphine had received the prize (and at approximately the time that Queen Elizabeth was crowned), everyone joined in and sang the National Anthem.

The hall was tastefully decorated with streamers and pictures of the Queen and other members of the Royal Family.

Those residents who did not attend the dance sat at their radios and listened intently to the broadcast of the Coronation procession and ceremony.

(None of the Queen's subjects are more loyal than these people with aboriginal blood in their veins. In the humblest homes you'll find pictures of the Queen and her family, and you'll never hear one of them, even jokingly, speak of Royalty in derogatory terms).

Sympathy is extended to John and Ivy Binge, of Boggabilla, on the death of their 13 months' old daughter, Patricia Anne, recently in the Goondiwindi District Hospital.

Last month, the Superintendent of Aborigines' Welfare, Mr. M. Saxby, visited Walgett Station and everyone was very pleased to welcome him.

The children of Walgett Aboriginal Station were recently given diphtheria immunisation by the local doctor, Dr. Goswell.

The local Coronation Day Sports for school children were held on the Walgett Racecourse, and the Manager took a lorry load of children from the Station to participate in the sports.

Ice cream, drinks and sweets were supplied and everyone had an enjoyable time.

At the present time, fish are plentiful in the Barwon River at Walgett, but local residents complain of a shortage of shrimps for bait, so there are very few good hauls.

The Woodenbong Parents and Citizens' Association decided at its last meeting that a School Band should be formed on the station (recorders and drums), and it is also hoped that Boy Scout and Girl Guide troops will be established in the very near future.

It was revealed during the week that if the residents show an interest in their own welfare during the next two months and give real evidence of an attempt to improve their standards, the Queensland University will launch an appeal through the *Brisbane Courier Mail*, to assist them. The Editor of the *Kyogle Examiner* has also promised his support and assistance.

Some residents of Woodenbong have started to renovate and improve their homes by purchasing timber at their own expense, and adding new rooms, etc. Among these residents to date, are Mr. Eric King, Mr. C. Ord and Mrs. C. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Close, of Woodenbong, are celebrating the arrival of a new son, Kenneth.

On a recent visit to Woodenbong, the Stork left a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. John Close. The young lady will be called Bridie.



Another study of our beautiful Cover Bride, Mrs. Ivy Smith. Left to right—Esther Kim, Mrs. Smith, Doris Kim and flower girl, Dawn Kim.