

SIZZLING BOUTS AT TILBA

Successful Boxing Tournament.

A boxing tournament was recently organised by the Wallaga Lake Recreation Club, and held in the Central Tilba Hall. This tournament was a great success and the bouts were well contested. A sum of £19 was collected and donated to the Bega District Ambulance.

A great deal of the success of the function was made possible by Mr. Morton, manager of the Wallaga Lake Aboriginal Station, and his band of willing workers from far and near.

In charge of the ring, and the mustering of the various opponents, was Mr. Clem Welsh, of Cobargo. The referee was Mr. Bill Crome, of Bermagui.

During the evening, all the participants received gifts of cigarettes, tobacco, and chocolates, donated by Collins' Store, at Central Tilba.

In between boxing bouts, the men of the Station rendered several items, among the artists being Ted Mullet, late of the Tivoli Theatre, Sydney, who sang "Danny Boy," and "The Maori's Farewell."

Roy Thomas sang the "Memorial Song of the Late Dave Sands," and "Too Young."

Other musical items were rendered by Tim Chapman, Cecil Thomas, Ian Hoskins, Brian Silif and Brian Benny.

Results of the boxing bouts are: Desmond Priestley d. Guy Lucas; Gordon Booth d. Kevin Parsons; Vincent Thomas d. Edward Parsons; Max Harrison d. John Armstrong; Les Darcy d. Rawden Parsons; Lindsay Picalla d. Ron Shaw (Bega); Bob Case (Bermagui) d. Desmond Thomas.



Pam Tighe, an ex-Coota. girl, now living at Young, on her way to tennis.

GARDENING SHIELD TO NANIMA

Superintendent Makes Presentation

The Superintendent of Aborigines Welfare, Mr. Saxby, recently formally presented the Arthur Yates Shield for Gardening to the Nanima School. Nanima School won the shield when it was donated for competition amongst the New South Wales Aboriginal Schools for the first time last year. (This must not be confused with the current competition which will be judged within the next few weeks.)

The Nanima children won the competition under the direction of the schoolmaster at that time, Mr. D. Gunter.

The Superintendent made the presentation before the assembled school and parents and citizens in the bright red and cream schoolhouse. He was accompanied by Area Welfare Officer P. E. Felton, and a representative of the *Wellington Times*. Both Mr. Saxby and Mr. Felton received an enthusiastic welcome from the parents and citizens and the children, and later the children sang and recited for them.

Making the presentation, Mr. Saxby said the children should be extremely proud to be the first to win the beautiful shield. "The name of your school will be the first on the shield, and it remains for you to see whether you can keep it there," he said.

"Many other schools will be trying to win it, and you will have to try very hard to keep it.

Mr. Saxby said life was very varied, and many things went to make it so enjoyable.

"These things include friendship, love, music and many others," he said, "but one of the most important is colour."

"Colour is at its best when produced by nature, and nature has nothing more beautiful than its flowers," he said.

"That is why we want flowers around our homes . . . so we can enjoy them to the fullest extent. You children have the right idea by planting flowers which will shortly burst into a blaze of colour. The rain which fell yesterday and to-day will hasten their growth and make them all the more beautiful," he concluded.

Ron May then accepted the shield on behalf of the School. He said, "Thank you very much, Mr. Saxby. It is a very beautiful shield and we will work very hard to keep it."

Mr. J. Ah See, on behalf of the School Parents and Citizen's Committee, also spoke expressing their appreciation of the Board and its activities.