

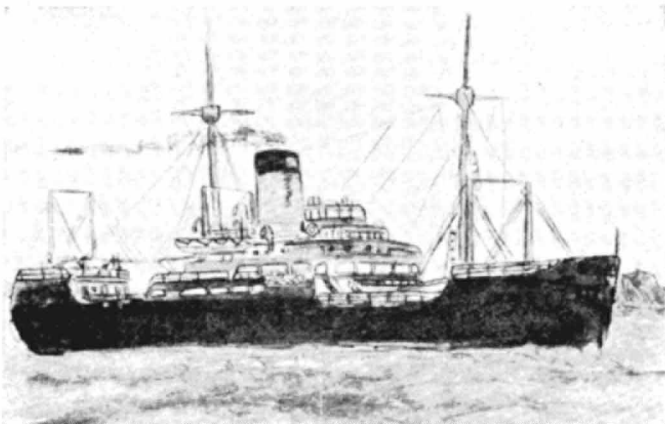


HELLO, KIDS,

Brrr! It's cold isn't it? I'll bet all my young friends feel just the same about winter as I do and look forward to the nice long summer days!

I've had quite a good mail lately from my pals, including a swag of paintings from Tabulam. They were from Linda Donnelly, Donald Wilson, Joan Daley, Bruce Walker, Michael Daley, Patrick Torren, and Edward Phillips. Thanks a lot kids, they were really good although they didn't win any prizes this time. How about some more?

Max Cutmore, of Moree, sent the fine drawing of the "Gothic" which you see on this page. Congratulations, and a special prize to you, Max! I also had a nice drawing from my pal, Leslie Franks.



Max Cutmore's drawing of the "Gothic."

Another Prize winner this month was Priscilla Johnson, of Murrin Bridge. It is also published in this issue of *Dawn*. Priscilla told me in her long and interesting letter that her mother had recently come to Sydney to bring baby Loretta Black down for a screen test for the film "Jedda"!

Larry Kelly, of Bowraville, also wrote me an interesting letter telling me all about his holiday at Nambucca Heads. It seems he had a pretty good time there, and I don't wonder, for it's a really lovely place.

Do you remember me once asking you all if you had bank accounts? Well, I know at least two people who do, they are eleven-year-old Judy Duke, of Moree, and her eight-year old sister, Shirley.

I think every one of you should open a small account, you'd be surprised how quickly it grows.

Another pal to write to me this month was Margaret Eggins, of Cootamundra. Margaret recently won one of our prizes.

How do you like our cover this month, isn't it beautiful?

Well kids, I guess I'll have to close now as my old kangaroo is waiting to get away.

Be sure and send me lots of letters and drawings won't you?

All the Best,

Your Sincere Pal,