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The Kangaroo handed him a boomerang. The bat threw the boomerang into the north; and all the animals listened very silently, as the boomerang was hurled out with great force into the darkness. The boomerang hummed loudly as it went out, and returned again with a loud thud. The bat picked up the boomerang again and hurled it into the darkness of the west. Still, all the great meeting sat, silently watching this performance. Again the boomerang returned with a thud, and again the bat hurled it into the darkness of the south, and then again into the east.

Then the cheeky Cockatoo could not keep silent any longer, and said, "I do not see the use of all this boomerang-throwing." But the bat said, "I am dividing the light from the darkness, and I will live in both." "Look, oh look, brothers, to the east; the light is coming." All the animals looked to the east, and saw the day beginning to dawn.

Then there was great joy. The Kookaburra laughed and laughed with gladness, even as they do to-day.

The Kangaroo hopped and jumped. The Dingoes barked, the Galahs screeched, and the Cockatoos chattered more than ever.

All the tribes were happy except the wicked owl.

That is why, to-day, all animals peck at the selfish owl, but they are all friendly to the little bat. As for the little messenger, the Lizard, he still loves to sit and gaze at the sun and if you look closely at his neck you will see he still has there the boomerang that the Kangaroo gave him.



This very charming young lady is Alva Williams, of Swan Hill.

BURSARIES FOR 1955 EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Congratulations to the following:—

Nancy F. Bolt, Cabbage Tree Island Public School.

Ann Mundine, St. Joseph's School, Grafton.

Thomas F. Phillips, Mount Carmel Prep. School, Yass.

Colin Campbell, Burnt Bridge Public School.

Mavis Lang, Burnt Bridge Public School.

who were awarded bursaries of £50 for three years by the Board at a recent meeting. Every year the Board awards four bursaries to children who have done well in their primary school work, and this enables them to go on to High School. Three years at High School and they are able to sit for the Intermediate Examination which makes it possible for them to pick a career for themselves.

Sometimes the child is anxious to go further and sit for the Leaving Certificate. The Board will always make this possible.

This year, five bursaries were awarded because Colin and Mavis were equal in order of merit in the list which was drawn up by the Bursary Endowment Board of the Department of Education.

Special congratulations to Nancy Bolt, of the Cabbage Tree Island Public School. Nancy did so well at the bursary examinations that she was awarded a State bursary. Nancy hopes to stay at school right through the five years and eventually sit for the Leaving Certificate.

Good luck, Nancy!



Beloved by hundreds of aboriginal girls throughout the State, Matron E. C. Hiscocks is seen making friends with still another youngster.