

ALONG THE MAIL ROUTE

The Stork recently visited Wallaga Lake and gave three happy mothers three lovely babies. They were Heather Pickalla, Rosie Saunders and May Pickalla.

Congratulations Heather, Rosie and May!

During recent School Holidays, over 65 parents and children, from Wallaga Lake, were taken by the Manager and Matron for a picnic to Mystery Bay Beach.

A truck was lent by Mr. Mead, a local farmer, to convey the people to the beach, and a sandwich lunch with fruit, tea and drinks was prepared by the Matron.

Beach sports were held for the younger ones, while the adults did a bit of fishing and lobstering.

Everybody had a wonderful time.

Since the electricity has been connected to Wallaga Lake Station, boxing is held each Monday night in the Recreation Hall, games on Wednesdays and dancing on Fridays.

The highlight of these boxing evenings is when young Joseph Stewart (5), challenges his brother Henry (6).

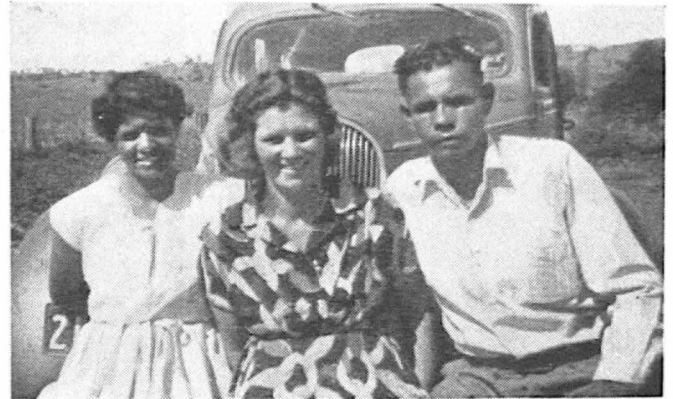
Young Vincent Thomas, of Wallaga Lake, who has just reached the school leaving age of 15, is now living with a white family near Cobargo, and is being trained to be a sheep farmer.

An excellent opportunity for him, and everybody wishes him every success.

Mrs. Annie Alberts, 80, put on the gloves one night and challenged Mr. Sephton, the Welfare Officer, who was unable to accept the challenge due to the great difference in weight. In the end, Mr. Norton, the Manager, accepted, but found Annie's right too powerful and withdrew after causing much hilarity in the audience.

Barbara Stewart, of Wallaga Lake, who attends the Narooma High School, was recently invited to spend the weekend with a white family in Narooma and attended a concert.

It is indeed pleasing to know that Barbara has made herself popular, and it is hoped that many more of the boys and girls of Wallaga Lake will make themselves as popular as she has, and will have as many white friends.



Plenty of Smiles from Arthur Carr, Emily Carr and Enid Semmler, of Wellington.

KARUAH CHILDREN NOW ATTEND PUBLIC SCHOOL

One More Barrier Down

At the end of the December school term last year, the Education Department closed the school previously on the Karuah Aborigines' Reserve. When the holidays were over and the schools resumed after the Australia Day holiday, the Karuah children were enrolled at the Karuah Public School.

In the months in between, there has been ample opportunity to judge how the children would fit into their new environment. Mr. Morgan, the Welfare Officer at Coff's Harbour, in a letter to *Dawn*, says that the Headmaster of the School, Mr. Pepper, speaks very highly of their conduct. Mr. Pepper said, "I have no complaints whatever to make against the children of the Reserve; their behaviour is exemplary and in every way they are the equals of the town children."

These glowing reports are of great encouragement to the Board, and the message to Karuah is—

"Keep up the good work, kiddies!"