

"Ah, that's a fine tale," the cook growled. Gingerly he lifted the lid of his camp oven so that not a coal dropped into the meat that was roasting.

"No, fair dinkum."

The cook, whose name was Barney, walked over to the waggon. He didn't believe Bluey for one moment, but he wouldn't have been surprised to see some injured animal in the waggon. Bluey was always rescuing something. Once he had taken a joey all the way to Cloncurry in his saddle-bag to give it to his niece.

Barney was startled to see a small, frightened aboriginal boy staring at him over the tail-board of the waggon.

"You really have a boy there! Where did you pick him up?"

"At the water-hole. His leg's broken. He must have fallen down the cliff, I think."

"Well, what are you going to do with him?"

"I've been thinking about that. We should make Mingin by tomorrow night, all being well. If we took him to the homestead they could get the Flying Doctor out to patch him up."

A further instalment of "Namtja" will appear in the next issue of *Dawn*.



Another fine sketch by Betty Black.



This young fellow is Colin Faulkner of Kempsey, who was recently a Cover Boy for *Dawn*. Colin, who is an excellent golfer, recently took part in the State schoolboy championships in Sydney. He didn't win, but he was certainly not disgraced and experts say he has the makings of a potential champion.

DEATH OF MR. ALF SHILLINGSWORTH

The sudden death occurred recently of Mr. Alf Shillingsworth, of Condobolin Reserve.

Alf was well known in this area and at Griffith and other centres of the State. He had been suffering from a weak heart for many months, and had not long been discharged from hospital when he died peacefully.

Our sympathies are extended to his widow, Mrs. Nina Shillingsworth, and his step-sons, Brian and Thomas.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson, of Condobolin, on the birth of a son, Stephen John.

Mr. Paul Dargin, of Condobolin, has returned to his family after his long stay in hospital. Paul looks very well, and everyone was pleased to see him back again.