



WEDDING AT BOGGABILLA

The wedding of Stan McIntosh to Valerie Bartman was held recently in Boggabilla and was performed by the Reverend M. McGregor. The bride originally came from Mungindi, where she has lived all her life—eighteen sweet years. She was given away by her uncle, Mr. Gordon Troutman. The groom, one of Ron McIntosh's sons, was attended by this brother, Don, as best man. Among the guests at the Church were Mrs. Ron McIntosh and Mrs. Jean Troutman, and the manager and matron.

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IMPROVEMENTS AT THE STATION

Improvement to the lighting on the Station at Boggabilla will include lights in the Station Hall and street lights around the Station houses.

Considerable improvement has been noticed in the yards since it has been possible to repair, at least, some fences. Among those of special comment are Susie McGrady, Evelyn Binge, Zella Duncan, Mavis McGrady, Mrs. Haines, Liela Dennison, Mrs. McIntosh, Eileen McIntosh, Hannah Duncan, and Lloyd Dennison. Some yards were kept clean and tidy, but needed a few flowers to brighten the place up. Mrs. Hannah Whiteman has a long term policy, she is growing silky oaks for shade.

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NATIVES WIN ART PRIZES

Four Northern Territory aboriginal children have won prizes in an art competition in India.

The children are Esther Puruntatameri, Francoise Kuratina, Concepta Patrick, and Marita Pilakin.

More than 60,000 entries were received for the competition from 65 countries.

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PLAN FOR FITTING MEMORIAL TO NAMATJIRA

A practical memorial that would bring help and encouragement to aboriginals was suggested yesterday as the most fitting monument to late aboriginal artist, Albert Namatjira.

Local water-colour artist Rex Battarbee—the man who taught Namatjira to paint—has suggested establishing an amenities centre for aborigines in Alice Springs. Mr. Battarbee suggested an Australia-wide appeal for funds for this memorial.

ABORIGINAL PRINCESS DIES AT 79

Mrs. Theresa Priscilla Clements, 79, sole surviving direct descendant of the last chieftain of the Ulupna tribe of aboriginals, died in Mooroopna Hospital recently.

Mrs. Clements was a princess of the tribe, whose territory stretched from the Goulburn River at Shepparton to the Murray and beyond before the white settlers came.

One of Mrs. Clements' daughters is Mrs. Margaret Tucker (Princess Lillardia) of Osway Street, Broadmeadows, who was appointed to the Aborigines' Welfare Board last month.

Other daughters are Mrs. Evelyn Geeves, of Queensland, and Mrs. Geraldine Briggs, of Shepparton. The funeral took place at Cummeragunga Mission Station.

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WOODENBONG LAD MAKES GOOD

Eighteen-year-old Lionel McBride, a former student from Woodenbong, is doing a four-year apprenticeship course with the Queensland Forestry Department and within a few years should be occupying a position of some importance.

Lionel was also offered a course with the Royal Australian Air Force but chose Forestry, and is now stationed at Serlings Crossing, via Imbal (Mary Valley Line).

One of his jobs is the checking of timber royalties.

His younger brother, Barry, is also doing very well in a Forestry course. He is stationed at Undina in Queensland.

