

Tenterfield Wedding

A very pretty wedding took place at Tenterfield recently when Valerie Binge, of Boggabilla, wed Douglas Kirk, of Cherbourg.

The wedding, which took place in the Salvation Army Citadel, attracted a large attendance.

The bride looked really beautiful in a pale green nylon frock with matching white accessories. Her two bridesmaids, Alice Harris and Marlene Breauer, of Tenterfield, wore white nylon frocks.

Best man and groomsman were Neville Binge and Fred Binge. The bride's father, Mr. Walter Binge, gave her away.

The wedding breakfast was held at the home of Mrs. McNichol, a friend of the family. Mr. McNichol was also responsible for making the very beautiful wedding cake.

Grace Monaghan Says Thank You

Grateful to Griffith Residents

In a letter to the Editor, Miss Grace Monaghan, formerly of Griffith, but now living at 58 Anzac Avenue, Collaroy, said, "I am writing to let you know that I am getting on very well here in Sydney and that I am doing well in my lessons.

"I have been here at Collaroy about three months and during that time I have met a lot of very nice people.

"Mrs. Turner, the lady with whom I am staying until I finish my Secretarial course, is a very lovely person and is doing a lot for the coloured people. I am sure any other dark person who met her would love her just as much as I do.

"I am the only aboriginal girl in the college among about twenty-two white girls but they are all very nice to me. This particularly applies to the teacher, Mrs. Smith.

"I will be forever grateful to the ladies of the Soroptimist Club of Griffith for providing me with this wonderful opportunity of bettering myself and taking my place with the white people.

"You may rest assured I will try hard to be as successful as they would like me to be."

WHO LIVES IN A GRAMOPHONE ?

The first gramophone they had ever seen was such a novelty to some Western Australian aborigines that, thoroughly fascinated by the sounds it produced, they smashed it—to see who lived inside. The story of the gramophone is told by Mr. Ben Mason, who not long ago completed training as an evangelist at the Aborigines' Island Mission, Singleton, New South Wales.

He said that when members of his tribe moved into civilisation from the Mount Margaret area of Western Australia, police gave them the gramophone to help keep them entertained.

"It was an old non-electric machine and as we had not seen one before we had no idea how it worked," Mr. Mason said. "The police showed us how to wind it, change the needle and play the records. We were fascinated, but we didn't understand. We knew the voices were coming from inside, but we didn't know how they were made. We thought there were a lot of little men and women, two or three inches tall, living inside the gramophone. So one of the men got a waddy and smashed the machine, while the rest of us stood around waiting to catch the little people as they ran out.

"It was a greater puzzle, of course, when we found no sign of them in the wreckage, but we accepted that they had been spirited away. I need hardly add that it was some time before we were trusted with another gramophone."



A picnic outing at Ben Lomond, Veronica, Nelson, Marilyn, Kathleen and Dick Blair

WATER FOR GREENHILL ABORIGINAL HOMES WITHIN A FEW WEEKS

The Aborigines Welfare Board has advised Kempsey Council that its decision to make a contribution of £1,000 towards extending a water main to Aboriginal cottages at Greenhill has been approved.

Mr. John Potter, Municipal Engineer, recently informed Council that the work would be done within a few weeks.