

First look at Sydney

Casino girl Patricia Davis (17) takes a look at Sydney from a Bridge Street balcony of the Chief Secretary's Department before embarking on a Public Service career in the big city.

Patricia had visited the headquarters of the Aborigines Welfare Board in the building for morning tea.



She later joined the staff of the N.S.W. Department of Health as a clerk at the Institute of Pathology laboratories at Lidcombe State Hospital.

Patricia was one of three Welfare Board bursars who passed the 1961 Leaving Certificate.

The others were blind student David Kerin (18), of Wahroonga, and Michael Bryant (18), of Nambucca Heads.

Nurse goes to India

Sister Lois O'Donoghue has left Australia for the Baptist mission field in Assam, according to the *Australian Evangel*.

She is probably the first part-aborigine to be appointed from Australia to an overseas mission.

After graduating from the Adelaide Hospital in 1958, she remained there to become first a staff sister and then a charge sister.

Sister O'Donoghue's path to success began when she was brought into the United Aborigines' Mission at Oodnadatta.

A visiting missionary home in Adelaide on furlough from Assam told of the shortage of trained nurses there.

Sister O'Donoghue said: "I decided almost immediately to go. If I like it I may stay for five years".

SUDDEN DEATH OF

Mr. L. N. Briggs

The sudden death of Welfare Officer Mr. L. N. Briggs on July 30 came as a shock to his many friends throughout the State.

Mr. Briggs, who was known to thousands of aborigines in N.S.W., during his 36 years service with the Aborigines Welfare Board, died in his sleep at his home at 84 Dilke Rd., Padstow. He is survived by his widow and a grown up family.

Before coming to Sydney in 1956 to take up an appointment as Welfare Officer in the Metropolitan area, Mr. Briggs and his wife had served at stations in all parts of the State.

Their last station appointment was at Taree where Mr. Briggs will be remembered fondly.

The full story of Mr. Briggs' career in the help of other people will appear in September *Dawn*.

KILLED IN ROAD SMASH

Well-known anthropologist Mrs. Judy Inglis was killed in a car accident while travelling to Sydney to attend a meeting of the Institute of Aboriginal Studies on Friday, July 6th.

Mrs. Inglis studied anthropology at the London School of Economics after completing an Arts Degree in Melbourne.

Over the last three years she gathered information about the life of Aboriginal people in South Australia and made important contributions to both anthropology and aboriginal advancement.

Earlier this year Mrs. Inglis was appointed Principal Administrative Assistant for the new Institute of Aboriginal Studies.

DEATH AT TAREE

It is with regret that *Dawn* learns of the sudden death of Cecil Taylor at Taree. He was buried at East Kempsey.

Cecil had been in ill health for some time. He suffered from diabetes and last year had a leg amputated.

Despite this misfortune Cecil, always a happy soul, could still smile.

Our sympathy goes out to his daughter, Mrs. Pat Dixon.