



**TIP FOR THE MONTH** A sheet placed between two blankets makes the bed a lot warmer.

▶ Harold Keed, co-proprietor of Peak Hill's successful boomerang factory (see *Dawn*, November/December, 1966), has been elected to the town's Rotary Club. This is quite an honour, and must make Harold one of the very few Aboriginal members of Rotary in Australia.

▶ Charles Perkins, manager of the Foundation for Aboriginal Affairs, has sold his house and taken three months' leave for a round-the-world study tour. He and his wife will leave in April, visit New Zealand, United States, Canada, Mexico, Britain, the Continent and Russia and return through the Middle East and Far East.

▶ Rev. Keith Ewin and his family were farewelled by their many friends at Woodenbong Aboriginal Reserve late in January. The Ewins came to Woodenbong four years ago and have become great friends and advisers to the Aboriginal people there. The farewell was a sad occasion, but the people staged an entertaining concert for the Ewins. Dick Donnelly's singing of Aboriginal songs and legends, to accompaniment of tapped sticks, fascinated everyone at the concert. Rev. Ewin was vice-president of the successful Woodenbong All Blacks' Football club. Gifts were presented by the Club and other residents of Woodenbong. The Ewins will move to their new appointment at Engadine, Sydney, but always will be interested in the affairs of the Woodenbong people. They have been assured a warm welcome whenever they visit the Reserve.

▶ An exhibition of Aboriginal art held in Tamworth late last year aroused considerable

interest. Armidale area welfare officer Mr D. G. Yates represented the Aborigines Welfare Board at the official opening, and was presented with a painting. Mr Yates returned it to the exhibition organizers who disposed of it and later presented \$56.74 to Mr S. J. Cole, mayor of Tamworth. This and other money went to "The J. F. Kennedy Memorial Fund", which provides Aboriginal scholarships in Tamworth. Three Aboriginal children have been selected for the scholarships and two others are being considered. Each will receive \$50.

▶ Scientists digging in the floor of a cave on the Nullabor Plain in February have discovered that ashes in the cave probably were from fires lit by man 20,000 years ago. This is believed to be evidence of man's earliest habitation on the Australian Continent. The cave had been used as a flint mine possibly by a race of people who lived before Aborigines.

▶ People in Paris have been standing in long queues to see films about the life and ways of the Australian Aborigine. One of the films could not be shown publicly in Australia because it shows certain religious ceremonies forbidden to uninitiated Aborigines. The collection of films was prepared by the Commonwealth Film Unit, which has been asked to take the show to several other centres in Europe.

▶ Jimmy Little, in his early days in show business, often wondered where his next meal would come from. He doesn't worry about that any more. His talent and hard work in the past 10 years have taken him to the fame and fortune he deserves. In a review of his latest L.P. record (his seventh), the critic said that Jimmy now had a more assured vocal style and a more polished approach.