

# FRIENDS HELPED LYNN SUCCEED

Eighteen-years-old Lynn Craigie (pictured) has worked hard to reach success in her career, but she is the first to recognize the considerable help of her friends.

Lynn believes that her story will encourage others to reach for the better future within their reach by accepting guidance of friends.

It is encouraging to listen to Lynn as she relates events of her life and to hear her say "So many people were anxious to help me". Lynn was orphaned when she was 4 years old, but for the next 12 years she was well cared for at the Church of England Home at Armidale.

She recalls the kindness of a special friend, Matron Leonie Bell who is in charge of the Home.



Lynn passed her Intermediate Certificate at Armidale High School, and the Aboriginal Womens Association arranged for her to study in Sydney. Her ambition was to work in an office, so she took a commercial course at East Sydney Technical College. The Association provided Lynn with pocket money and clothes, and she completed the shorthand-typing course with success.

Another womens association (which prefers anonymity) paid her accommodation for six months at a church hostel. Lynn still lives at the hostel, but now she can pay her own accommodation because she has a good job.

## Friends

At East Sydney Technical College Lynn again found herself among friends. Miss Lamont, teacher-in-charge of the School of Commerce, and Mr Favough, college principal, encouraged and helped her, and Lynn feels that she owes them a great deal.

Lynn is happily engaged in office work now, and speaks lovingly of her good friends Mr and Mrs Eaton, of Armidale. It is in their home that she spends many of her holidays. She is treated like one of the family and accompanies them on outings and interstate holidays.

## Sister

Lynn's sister set her a good example and is also a successful career girl. She was awarded a bursary by the Outward Bound movement, and now Lynn also has received such an award. Her friends know that Lynn will reflect credit on the Movement—as did her sister.

Lynn is a keen hockey player and a member of the Y.W.C.A. People talking with Lynn realize that she is a well-adjusted and friendly girl, and become aware of the importance of her accomplishments as an encouragement to other young women of her race.

All of her friends say "Well done, Lynn. May your future hold for you further well-deserved success and happiness".