

The two officers appointed by the federation have completed their training and are now gaining experience in the field. Ted Wymara and Ted Fields were selected from among the fifty-six applicants from all parts of Australia. The successful applicants were chosen according to their ability to identify and communicate with their fellows and get across the basic principles of the operation of credit unions. The Federation hopes eventually to employ more Aboriginal field officers until there are sufficient for each State and the Northern Territory. Anyone interested in the formation of a credit union in their area should contact the N.S.W. Credit Union League, suite 23, 127-133 Burwood Road, Burwood N.S.W. 2134. Tel. 747 3522.

►AID FOR "MURAWINA"—

The Aboriginal Women's Group which operates the "Murawina" centre in Sydney has recently received two grants totaling \$40,000 from the Commonwealth Government to assist in their breakfast programme for children and for their other pre-school and cultural programmes. The women operate out of their centre in Chippendale, Sydney. Part of the grant will enable the group to employ a pre-school teacher and leader of the Yirrkala tribe, Mr Wunjuk Marika, to combine conventional pre-school teaching with traditional cultural tuition. Murawina developed from the initial "Breakfast Programme" established early last year. The grant includes \$7,500 for capital expenditure for the programme, \$2,670 for running expenses and food, as well as \$1,500 for capital expenditure and \$800 for wages and fares for the pre-school and cultural programmes. The breakfast programme, involving serving a hot breakfast to children in the inner-city area before they leave for school each morning, helps young students overcome some of the disadvantages to which they would otherwise be subject. The recent grants have allowed Mrs Norma Williams to work full-time on the project.

►ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE FOR BROKEN HILL—

The accompanying photo was taken on the occasion of the first meeting held to establish an Aboriginal Advancement Committee at Broken Hill. At this and following meetings elections were held for office-bearers. As a result Mr Bill Riley was elected president, Mavis Riley secretary, Alf Bates vice-president, and Mrs Cole assistant-secretary. Those in the photo, from left to right, are: Eddie Stewart, Mavis Riley, Eddie Landers, Mr Fitzpatrick, Bill Riley, Joan Bates, Mr Perry, Mrs Edge, Don Considine (Employment Service),

an unnamed gentleman, Bill Smith (Housing Commission), Margaret Phillips, Kevin Hyland, Robert Lawrie, and Alf Bates. This photo was supplied by Ron Riley, Broken Hill area representative on the Aborigines Advisory Council. The Committee can be contacted through Bill Riley, 354 Gossan Street, Broken Hill, N.S.W. 2880.



People attending inaugural meeting of Broken Hill Advancement Committee

►CATTLE PROJECTS IN N.T.

Two Aboriginal communities on the Daly River Reserve in the Northern Territory are to begin large scale cattle projects to cost \$1.1 million under 3-year development programmes being sponsored by the Commonwealth Government. The funds include provision for housing for Aboriginal stockmen, roads and equipment. The programmes involve the establishment of separate cattle projects on the 5,200 square mile reserve by the Murin and Unia Associations. The Murin Association is representative of the 800 Aborigines at Port Keats Mission and the Unia Association represents a community of 230 Aborigines at the Daly River Mission. The Daly River Reserve is 100 miles southwest of Darwin and covers the communities' traditional tribal land. Pastoral consultants will make regular visits to the areas to help implement plans and each community proposes to engage a cattle adviser to assist in the day to day running of the projects. The enterprises will provide substantial employment opportunities for the communities and provide them with an economic base.