

the Murries for you have to cope with your own problems as well as those of the dark people. It does get to be very heartbreaking at times to see our people with so many things going for them, failing to take advantage of these things. Their attitude to those people who are working for their betterment is to think that we are only in it for what we can get out of it and are using this as a means of making a profit and really don't have the wellbeing of the people at heart except for this purpose. I feel at times that I am continually hitting my head against a brick wall because of this lack of understanding that we as field officers are trying as best we know how to get things done from which they will benefit. Immediately the people see that we are endeavouring to do the best for them that our ability allows us to do, I feel that they will be much easier to get involved in the general run of things . . . Opportunity is all around us, requiring only that we accept the challenge and endeavour to do for ourselves what we want others to do for us . . . Our own people sit quietly on the sidelines and let a miserable few try to give them a lift but they fail to give any assistance in helping themselves. The Murries are the first to criticize the efforts of those who are having a go if they sometimes make a mistake. This same criticism is not always constructive but rather damaging to those who are trying to help".

►GIRLS INTERVIEWED FOR NURSING

The thirteen girls pictured on this page travelled from their homes in Brewarrina, Bourke, Walgett and Goodooga to Dubbo recently, to be interviewed and advised on the possibility of taking up nursing when they leave school. A visit to the office of the Commonwealth Employment Service at Dubbo also provided the girls with an insight into office work. The trip was arranged by Phil Eyre, vocational officer at Brewarrina, and he was helped in getting the girls to Dubbo by Tom Winters, field officer at Brewarrina for the foundation. The girls were interviewed by Matron Wilson from Bathurst and by Dr Hugston who advised them about obtaining jobs as nurse's aides and that the School Certificate is necessary to do the full 3-year nurse's training course. Girls who successfully complete the 12-months nurse's aide course may have the opportunity to do the complete nursing course. From left to right, in the back row of the picture, are: Tom Winters, Linda Bates (Bourke), Jennifer Edwards (Bourke), Brenda Hardy (Brewarrina), Kerry Gibbs (Goodooga), Sue Anne Crawford (Walgett), and Phil Eyre. In the front row are Sandra Derrick (Bourke), Christine Hooper (Goodooga), Lorraine Frail (Brewarrina), Dulcie Frail (Brewarrina), Margaret Kennedy (Walgett), Lorraine Biles (Brewarrina), Margaret Dennis (Walgett), and Phylis Dennis (Walgett).

*Tom Winters and Phil Eyre with the girls at Dubbo*

