

Dear Editor,

The children of this school are keenly interested not only in "Pete's Page" but in the whole magazine, and I need not add that the three children, Tom Winters, Betty Trail, and Violet Gordon were delighted to each receive a book for their first contribution.

We all hope that Pete's Page will soon become Pete's Pages.

Wishing you continued success with your magazine.

—L. Gordon, Headmaster,
Brewarrina Aboriginal School.

. . . Thanks, Mr. Gordon, for your kind letter. The youngsters are our future generation, so if we please these boys and girls of to-day we must be helping the men and women of to-morrow.

—Editor.

Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for sending me the "Topping Book for Girls." My parents were very pleased and also said to thank you for such a lovely book.

—Joyce Mercy (Ashby).

. . . Very pleased to hear you liked your prize, Joyce, and congratulations on winning still another one. Keep up the good work.

—Editor.

Dear Editor,

Congratulations on *Dawn*. I think it is a splendid magazine, and I hope the aboriginal people will all read it.

Not many people know what is being done to help the aborigines, and most of the public look upon members of Government Boards as a lot of incompetents. Well, I can refute that at least about the Aborigines Welfare Board.

—Michael Sawtell.

. . . Thanks, Mr. Sawtell. Knowing your very great interest in our aborigines I do appreciate your remarks very much.

—Editor.

Dear Editor,

It was certainly wonderful to see people sending donations into the *Sun* newspaper to help Bill Charles. When I read your story in the March *Dawn* about Bill losing his legs, it made me cry.

It is good to see the white people taking such an interest in the aborigines and sending along these kind donations to help.

Mrs. P. S. (Wreck Bay).

. . . I quite agree, Mrs. P.S. It was indeed a wonderful thing to see these donations rolling in for Bill.

The Editors Mail



I was really not surprised, however, because there are a lot of good people in this world . . . people who will help a man, no matter what the colour of his skin.

These are the people who are helping Bill.

—Editor.

Dear Editor,

I think it is a wonderful thing to be giving all those nice books to our children as prizes in their competitions.

I have never been able to read or write, and am too old to learn now. My children, one of whom is at high school, write my letters for me and read the paper to me. It is a great thing to be able to read and all those books you are sending out must help the children to learn.

—N.M. (Taree).

. . . I can't agree with you about it being too late for you to learn to read and write, N.M. I don't think it is ever too late. Education is one of the most important things in the world, and the Board in its wisdom, is determined that every one of the future generation will be able to read and write.

—Editor.

Fishes Had to Learn to Swim for Millions of Years.

Fish didn't learn to swim overnight. It took their ancestors millions of years to evolve from heavily armoured creatures dwelling in the ooze of the sea bottom to the swift, graceful swimmers of to-day. The earliest true fishes had two armoured sections, the head and body, and could use only the tail and posterior part for propulsion.

In perhaps 250,000,000 years they shed the protective plates, became more fishlike in form, and developed paired fins for steering, balance and propulsion.