

GARDEN COMPETITION AGAIN

Many Schools Enter

The generous gesture of Arthur Yates & Co., one of Sydney's major seed firms, has made it possible for a large scale garden competition to be held again this year for all Aboriginal schools in the State.

Last year the Competition was won by Nanima School, and it will be this school that will have the honour of having its name first inscribed on the beautiful silver shield which has been donated by Arthur Yates & Co.

Nanima will hold the shield until it is awarded again at the end of September, and it is expected that the Superintendent of Aborigines' Welfare, or the Chairman of the Board, will make the presentation at Nanima within the next week or so.

Donating the shield to *Dawn*, one of the Directors of Arthur Yates & Co., Mr. E. Gattenby, said: "It is our desire to help you in your most commendable efforts to improve the lot of the Australian Aborigine, and it is hoped the provision of this shield will help attract as much interest as possible in the competition. Additionally, we would like to donate 100 packets of vegetable and flower seeds, which could be used either as a prize, or you may desire to distribute them well beforehand, so they could be used for growing the products which would be shown at the competition."

The Editor has decided that the packets of seeds will not be used as a prize, but can be made available either to the schools or station residents.

Readers writing in for seeds must include a 3½d. stamp for postage.

The school competition for the Arthur Yates Shield will be open to all aboriginal schools in New South Wales, and will be conducted between June and September, inclusive.

There is no entry fee, but schools wishing to enter must do so immediately. Judging will be done from photographs.

The schools to date which have entered are, Cabbage Tree Island, Nanima, and Murrin Bridge.



Dorothea Combo, of Cootamundra, has a big smile for the camera.

BROWNIES AND GUIDES WELCOME SUPERINTENDENT

On the occasion of his first visit to Moree, the Guides and Brownies welcomed Mr. Saxby, the New Superintendent of Aborigines' Welfare, by staging a camp fire in his honour.

They were assisted by some of the Guides from 1A Moree Company. The Divisional Commissioner, Miss D. Coulter, presided.

The fire was lit in the traditional Guide manner with only one match by a visiting Guide, and as the flames leapt skywards everyone joined in the singing of "Fires Burning."

Camp fire songs were sung in the true Guide manner, favourites being "Daisy, Daisy" (with actions) and "Sandy," to the enjoyment of the visitors, Mr. and Mrs. Burless, Mr. F. Delparado and Mr. B. Ayres.

Feature of the evening was a Brownie and Guide enrolment, and the new recruits were welcomed into the great sisterhood of Guides by the Divisional Commissioner.

The Brownies performed the "Maori Canoe" song and the Guides entertained with two stunts, "The Nightmare" and "The Old Tin Lizzy" and "The Yarn" by the Commissioner was enjoyed by young and old alike.

A happy evening was brought to a close with supper of cocoa and biscuits.

Thanks are due to Misses Joy Cunningham and June Trenchard (Captain and Lieutenant of 1A Moree) for assistance rendered by Guides of the Moree 1A Company and to Mr. F. Delparado and Mr. S. G. Hughes, who transported Guides and Guiders to and from the station.



Mrs. Joyce Sullivan and Annie Wright, of Brewarrina, set out for the Pre-School clinic with their youngsters.