## **BOYS WIN MEDALS**

## Life Saving Award

Two South Coast aboriginal boys have been awarded lifesavers' bronze medallions.

The boys, Bill Hughes, 16, and Bill Dixon, 17, are members of the Bermagui Life Savings Club.

Far South Coast Life Saving Association secretary A. H. Bown said the boys are the first aboriginals to win a bronze medallion.

Mr. Bown said both were as "keen as mustard".

He said the boys were excellent mixers and took a prominent part in the club's activities.

They compete in all the carnivals, and Bill Dixon is the standard-bearer for the march past team.

Both boys compete in the surf races and were in the Bermagui R. and R. team which won last year's championship on the south coast.

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Neta Boyd, of Woodenbong, with young Arthur Bundock. W.

These two very charming young lasses are Una Nean of Caroona and her sister Vera. They are both looking forward to a visit to the city in the near future.

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# OUR MISSING PEOPLE

#### CAN YOU HELP?

We are still trying to locate the following people who have amounts standing to their credit with the Board's Trust Account:—

CLARKSON, Kathleen (or son, Colin Clarkson). COMBO, Douglas. HILT, Lola. JOHNSON, Harold. KAY, Percy. LOAF, George. MURRAY, Melda. WAITES, Roy. WELCH, Raymond.

Would anyone knowing the whereabouts of any of these people, please advise the Board as soon as possible.

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Close attention has been given to the supervision of families living in sub-standard accommodation off Stations and Reserves. Many of the homes of these people afford only the barest minimum of accommodation and little effort is made to provide even the meanest comforts of home.

The appointment of a trained nurse as lady Welfare Officer to work particularly among such families will, it is hoped, in time effect no small measure of improvement.



During the year the Board arranged with the Department of Public Health to inaugurate a medical survey of aboriginal populations in various centres, particularly in relation to the incidence of worm infestation. This was found to be high and appropriate treatment has been commenced and preventive measures devised.

X-ray examination was conducted in a number of centres and results were gratifying. Cases of T.B. discovered proved to be surprisingly few. In appropriate cases, admission to hospital was arranged.

The interest on the part of the aboriginal people in community activities is increasing, and their support of local hospitals, ambulance and other civic organisations is reflected in their growing acceptance in the community.

It is the constant aim of the Board and its officers to impress upon aborigines the vital necessity to make their own contribution toward the goal of assimilation.