



## A message

# from the Board

Professor A. P. Elkin has been unanimously appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Board for the twelve months ending 30th June, 1956. Professor Elkin has held this position continuously since the Board was re-constituted in its present form in 1940.

### Murrin Bridge Home Science Accommodation.

When Murrin Bridge Station was built, provision was made for a building to be used as quarters for single men, the need for the use of the building in this manner has never arisen, and it has now been handed over to the Education Department for use as a Home Science School.

The Education Department will now make provision for the equipment of the school, and it is hoped that classes will soon be in operation. The Board regards this as a very desirable innovation.

The Board has now concluded agreements for the tenancy of some of its cottages, and the Board's Seal has been now affixed to the necessary documents. The fortunate tenants to whom the Board offers its congratulations are—

Moama—Mrs. Norah M. Charles.

Wilcannia—Mr. H. T. Martin.

Cabbage Tree Island—Mr. Harold Kelly.

Cowra—Mr. Alexander Williams.

### Expulsion Order.

The Board is averse at any time to issue an Expulsion Order, and takes this drastic step only if all other efforts have failed to reform the Station resident, who is guilty of misbehaviour.

An order was recently issued against a young man at Yass, he made quite a nuisance of himself at his parents' residence. He had been warned repeatedly of the consequences of his misconduct, but took no notice.

The Board took a very serious view of the circumstances in this case, particularly as the parents are living within the town boundaries, and, together with other residents of that locality, are endeavouring to completely assimilate themselves into the general town life.

In another instance, the expulsion of three men was recommended by the Officer-in-Charge of the Station, but leniency was extended in two of the cases to give the men concerned an opportunity to reform.

The third case was that of a single man, who in addition to his bad character and continual misbehaviour, completely disregarded a Maintenance Order

against him, which was in existence. Further this man was guilty of assault against the Manager, conduct which the Board will not tolerate.

### Chance for a Young Man to Make Good.

Henry Murray, a young man who lives at Boggabilla Station, has been given the opportunity to become a professional boxer. At a recent meeting, the Board gave permission for him to leave New South Wales and to go to Brisbane, where he will be trained under Mr. Pat Farrell. Mr. Farrell, in addition to preparing him for contests, has accepted responsibility for his welfare, and so long as Henry behaves himself, he can be assured of his future as a boxer being safeguarded. Good luck, Harry.

### A South Coast Girl Makes Good.

The Board offers its congratulations to Patricia Chapman who has now commenced nursing training at the Wollongong District Hospital. She is very keen on her new career, and has expressed her determination to do her utmost to succeed. The Nowra Rotary Club have been very good to Patricia, and before she took up her duties, presented her with a beautiful watch which will, undoubtedly, be of great use to her. Local residents of Wollongong, and the Wollongong Baptist Church, have interested themselves in Patricia, and will see that she has a happy time at the Hospital and does not become homesick.

The Board is always very pleased to hear of willing women and men who are ambitious, and who want to do something for themselves in their future lives.

### Terry-Hie-Hie.

The Board has recommended to the Lands Department that the old Reserve at Terry-Hie-Hie be leased. It has not been used as an Aborigines Reserve for many years, but there is a building on the area which belongs to an aborigine named Jenkins. The Board is anxious to get in touch with Mr. Jenkins, and anybody who knows of his whereabouts is requested to write to the Secretary of the Board.

### Walcha: Transport of Children to School.

The Education Department has accepted a Tender for the conveyance of children in the Summervale Aborigines Reserve to the Walcha School. The total cost of the subsidy, in this case, will be made by the Education Department, as a special case, thus relieving the parents of the children, and the Board, of any contributions towards the service.