

Fancy Dress Party

At Burra Bee Dee

The Burra Bee Dee Progress Association held a highly successful Fancy Dress Party last month to raise £12 to send four Coonabarabran children to the 1956 Summer Camp.

Competition winners were Muriel Chatfield and Mrs. Stan Leslie.

Young Muriel was wide-eyed and speechless as she clutched her prize—a lovely sleeping doll. Mrs. Leslie has, as an addition to her china cabinet, a very attractive 21-piece tea-set.

Prizes for best costumes went to Lynette Chatfield and Denny Cain. Other prizes were won by Maureen Cain and Rose Watton—best pair; Johnny Griffiths and Neville Cain—comedy team, and the five Chatfields as Hawaiians. Special prizes were awarded to Richard Griffiths, Diane Griffiths and Caroline Griffiths.

Christine Griffiths had the most original costume, a really lovely yellow dress covered with cut-outs. She was a credit to her mother and grandmother who worked so hard on the frock.

We were pleased to see some of old friends at the party: Mrs. Sorby, Mrs. Mahoney and Mrs. Queenie Robinson. They must have been very proud of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom looked so charming.

Mrs. Charlotte Cain and Mrs. Kath Hinton arranged the supper, and Miss Julia Robinson worked so hard serving it that she suggested she should be sent to the Summer Camp to convalesce!

Mrs. Hinton and Toad Chatfield provided the music and many of the children sang.

Ballots were held to decide the four lucky children, and those who will be attending the 1956 Summer Camp are: Neville Cain, Cynthia Chatfield, Betty Ashby and Leo Cain.

After nine o'clock the adults had a dance, and reluctantly went home about mid-night, unanimous in their verdict that it had been a "very good show".

The profit on the Party of nearly £17 leaves the Association a surplus of nearly £5 to bank for a future occasion.

Really pleasing was the splendid way all co-operated to make such a success of the Party. Thanks are due to Mrs. Millie Griffiths and Mrs. Rose Griffiths for decorating the hall, and the Manager's special thanks go to Herrick Cain and Young Fred Griffiths for their assistance on the night.

The children were still in a Party mood the following day so the Manager and Matron arranged a yabbie-fishing competition for them with prizes for the most, the largest, and the smallest caught in one hour. Neville and Denny Cain shared the prize for the most, Colin Sorgy was outright winner for the biggest with a really big yabbie. Cynthia Chatfield and Lorraine Cain shared the prize for the smallest, which seems to indicate that the ladies have the delicate touch.

HENRY MURRAY UNLUCKY

Will Rest for Some Weeks.

Readers of *Dawn* will remember a paragraph recently which told of Henry Murray of Boggagilla going to Queensland to train at Mr. Pat Farrell's Gymnasium. The latest word from Brisbane is that Harry is happy in his employment with Bowser's Asphalt Ltd., and has commenced his training at Mr. Farrell's Gymnasium at the Missions to Seamen in Brisbane.

He has now had his first professional fight but he was unlucky and did not win, having his eye cut in the second round after having the fight well and truly won. It was an accidental clash of heads which caused the damage and the cut bled badly. His seconds did not hesitate to stop the fight lest the cut become more serious and possibly ruin Henry's career. However, whilst Henry was there, he gave a great exhibition. He is the talk of Brisbane and experts agree that he is a boxer of great promise. He is not indulging in any boxing, however, until his eye is thoroughly healed, and will spend four or five weeks brushing up his boxing.

Mr. Farrell said, "When I let him go again, he will be a certainty. I feel quite certain he is a champion in the making."



The poor little aboriginal girl was blind and so she could not see all the wonderful things there are about at Christmas time, but she could feel and hear them. Her affliction should make us all the more grateful for the many wonderful things we have in life.