

ALONG THE BIRDSVILLE TRACK

A LONG the lonely Birdsville Track through vast Central Australia live many people whom we do not see and who seldom have the opportunity of seeing us.

These are the people who have chosen this remote area for their homes, these are the people who are helping to populate and improve this more or less unknown area.

Many of the aboriginal people in this area have married Afhgans and their children are happy, intelligent little Australians, with perhaps more than a normal share of good looks.

As the Cameraman made his way inland these are some of the people he met.



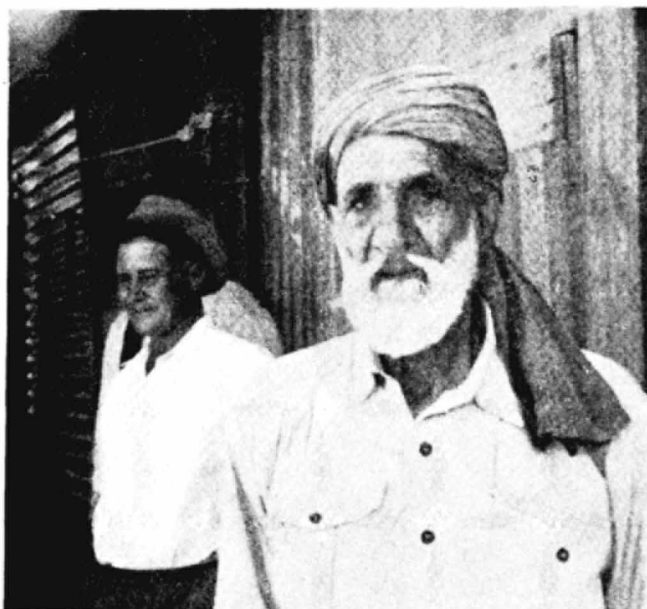
First of all a group of happy healthy school children, at Marree.



One of the many teams of camels one sees about Marree.



An Aboriginal family at Marree.



Then old Beja, the oldest Afghan in Australia. Well over 90, Beja played a leading part in the film "Back of Beyond".



A wedding group at Marree. The Bridegroom, Bruce Fielding, is an aborigine, and his lovely bride, Grevia Mahomet, an Afghan.