



# Smoke Signals

► **TIP FOR THE MONTH** Eliminate fumes from a kerosene heater by placing a small block of camphor in the container each time it is filled.

► A questionnaire sent world-wide by the Australian Institute of Aboriginal Affairs has brought forth details of 8,500 Aboriginal items reposing in museums from Finland to Fiji, Tanzania to Texas, Buffalo to Brazil. The items are stone axes, bark paintings and other relics. There are 260 bark paintings in Paris, and nearly 1,000 stone implements in Leipzig.

► Aboriginal arts and crafts may form the basis for a distinctive new school of Australian design. Associate Professor L. M. Haynes, head of the University of N.S.W.'s Department of Industrial Arts, is going to Northern Territory to study Aboriginal artifacts and the interaction of man, materials and environment. Professor Haynes hopes to learn much of value to Australian industrial design.

► Kinchela Boys' Training Home, near Kempsey, continues its run of success in sporting activities. At a boxing tournament at Bellingen in February, Kinchela boys won six of eight trophies against competition from Bellingen and Dorrigo boys. Many spectators and competitors travelled up to 200 miles to attend the tournament, which raised funds for improvements to the scout hall at Bellingen. Early in March Kinchela boys were again successful in a business houses swimming carnival at the Lower Macleay Memorial Baths, Gladstone.

Kinchela Hurricanes relay team (A. Cooper, E. Carberry, P. Knight, W. Leslie) won a special event for first-place-getters disqualified from their heats for breaking nominated times.

► The Daily Mirror's historical feature of 7 March tells the story of one of the longest and most relentless manhunts in Australian history. On 2 May, 1891, two Aboriginal fugitives, Jacky and Willie, killed a Polish farmer, Sovrin Mursczkavitz, at Dora Dora Creek, 40 miles from Albury. Three years passed before the two murderers were arrested 1,000 miles away in Queensland. An ironic feature of the long police hunt was that the fugitives were themselves trackers well-aware of the methods of their pursuers. In the end, over confidence proved the fugitives' undoing. At Maryborough, Queensland, they strutted about in public amid a swarm of admiring womenfolk, until an outraged husband informed police. As with fugitives of more recent times women again proved to be bad-luck for men-on-the-run.

► Lionel Rose lost his April fight against the more experienced Ray Perez, but put up such a plucky display that sporting writers and trainers say he is a great prospect for honours as a bantamweight. Eighteen-year-old Lionel lives in Melbourne, and uses money he earns fighting, to support his widowed mother and eight younger brothers and sisters. Lionel's ambition is to win the Australian bantamweight title (held by Noel Kunde of Brisbane) and then the Empire crown. Many people think he will be able to realise this when he gains more experience.