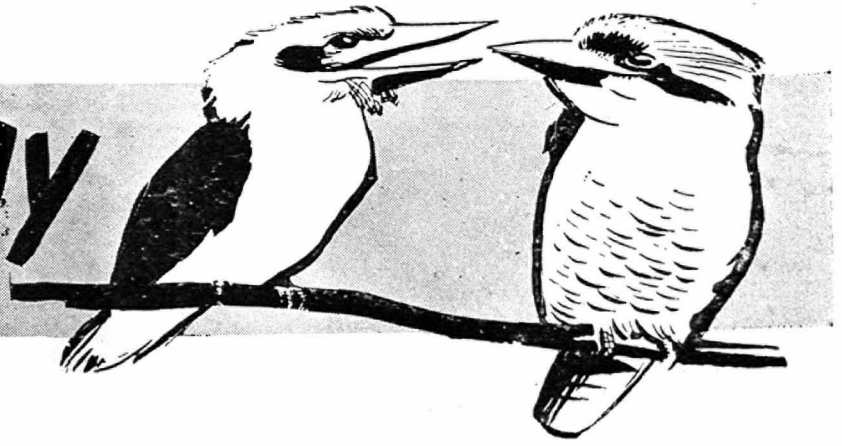


# THEY SAY



The young fellows at Burnt Bridge are taking their boxing seriously. Our correspondent up that way tells us that they have used some of the funds from the Burnt Bridge Social Club to purchase boxing equipment so they can train solidly for some real tournaments with the Kinchela boys.

When it's hot up Brewarrina way, it's REALLY hot. Matron recently had several cases of heat prostration and two of the sufferers, Doreen Wright and Carrie Warraweena, were taken to hospital but have now made complete recoveries.

A competition was to have been held on Cabbage Tree Island last month to decide the best Flower and Vegetable gardens but unfortunately the weather intervened.

All the residents were working industriously on their gardens with high hopes of winning when the floods arrived and completely ruined everything.

The competition has now been postponed until later in the year. Messrs. Robert Moran, David Currie, Harry Kelly and Maurice James, must be congratulated, however, on their efforts. Their gardens were certainly a credit to them and it is hoped they will do well when the competition does take place.

Following the recent heavy rains on the Upper Macleay, some heavy catches of perch and mullet have been made in the Bellbrook district.

The residents of Bellbrook Station are recording splendid hauls with George Cohen heading the list with a catch of sixty-three one week-end. Other good hauls were made by Joe Quinlin, Ellen Holten, Eileen Holten, and several others.

Incidentally, the largest perch caught was a three-pounder landed by Maisie Kelly. The largest mullet went to Mrs. John Quinlin.

Tom Callagan, of Burnt Bridge, had a nasty accident recently whilst cutting timber in the bush.

The injury to his foot was so serious he had to be taken to the Macleay District Hospital for an operation. Late reports, however, say he is well on the mend again.

Residents of Brewarrina mourn the loss of two-year-old Ross Wilson, who died recently.

Taken suddenly ill on the Station the little fellow was moved to hospital and after treatment showed signs of recovery. However, he had a sudden relapse and died a few days later.

Time and time again the aboriginal people of New South Wales have been shown that there is always someone ready to give them a helping hand when their own conducts and efforts justify such help.

Mr. M. O'Sullivan, of Pee Dee Station, Bellbrook, has promised to give a cheque for £50 to the first aborigine from Bellbrook school to qualify as a teacher.

This is a magnificent gesture from a generous man and it is hoped that many will strive to carry on with their education and win this rich prize.

It is good to learn that already three children from Nulla Creek are attending Kempsey High School.

Congratulations to a lot of young people from Bellbrook who have just celebrated their birthdays.

William Scott was 15 on February 28th; Lloyd Shepherd 12 on March 3; Betty Holten 16 on March 8; Shirley Quinlin 17 on March 9; Joseph Quinlin 13 on March 15; Grace Quinlin 8 on March 25; and Denzil Quinlin 22 the same day.

All the very best to them all!



A clever sketch by Lloyd Dennison, of Boggabilla.