

A PROUD RECORD

Champion Country Athlete

Police Tracker Sergeant Bill Robinson, of Grafton, has a record of which any man . . . black or white . . . might justly be proud. Bill, who is one of Grafton's most respected and best known citizens, is the father of schoolteacher, Evelyn Robinson, of Cabbage Tree Island, and an outstanding athlete.

He has fought some of Australia's best fighters and is said to have been the only bantamweight in the world who never barred a fighter of ANY weight. His opponents say they doubt if there was ever a bantamweight who punched as hard as he did

Bill K.O'd Alf Webster (11'8) in four rounds; Frank Barrack (12'4) in two rounds; Joe Thomas (11'6) in four rounds; Fred Saunds (13'2) in two rounds; and Jack McDonald, a well known Sydney lightweight, in six rounds.

A grand record of knockouts for a bantamweight !

Bill also fought Roy Baker, flyweight; Bill McAlister (bantamweight champion of Australia); Young Gildo, featherweight; Darky Blandon (featherweight champion of Australia); Frank Broga, Southpaw (welterweight champion of Australia); and Frank Burns (middleweight champion of Australia). He also fought Eddie Watson, bantamweight, and George Unwin, welterweight.

Bill is also a great horseman and has ridden many outlaws. He is the only man to have ever ridden the police outlaw, Yellow Bay, to a standstill. He also rode Albert Baker's unriden outlaw, Colleness.

All Bill's fighting has been done since he joined the Police Force many years ago and he is still undefeated bantamweight champion of the North Coast.

Bill Robinson is a good citizen and a real family man. His neat little cottage in Alice Street, Grafton, is his own property and is tastefully furnished.

The walls of his cottage are adorned with many splendid oil paintings . . . painted by Bill himself.

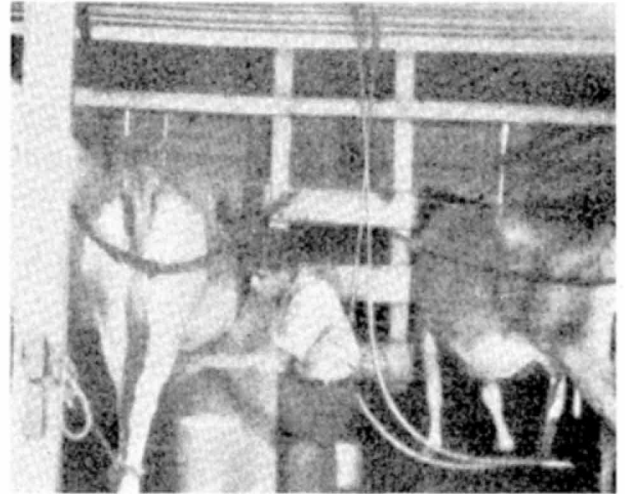


Sergeant Bill Robinson in uniform.

LIFE ON THE FARM IS GRAND

Billy Hughes at Tilba

One of the happiest young men on the South Coast these days is William Hughes, of Tilba Tilba, an ex Kinchela lad. William, or "Billy," as he is more generally known, is employed as an apprentice on the farm and has adapted himself to his new surroundings very well, working along with his employer and taking a keen interest in whatever job he is given.



Billy Hughes milking the cows.

The day starts for Billy at 6 a.m., with the task of rounding up the cows while his employer gets the milking machines, cans and feed ready. No sooner are the cattle in the yard, than Billy gets busy milking 70 cows! Between them both it takes two hours to milk the cows, fill the cans and load them on the truck, ready to be taken to the cheese factory, where the milk is converted into cheese.

After breakfast, the milking machines and all dairy utensils are thoroughly washed and cleaned and the bails and yard are cleaned out.

The rest of the morning and afternoon, until 3.30 p.m. (when it is time to start the evening milking), they work out in the paddocks. This might mean digging tussocks, spraying blackberries, mowing ferns, or fertilizing the land.

Though he is kept busy with the general farm work, he still manages quite successfully to fit in the time to trap rabbits and has become quite a skilled trapper. The money acquired from the sale of the rabbits he puts into his savings account.

On weekends he has the option of either spending it on Wallaga Lake Aboriginal Station with friends or accompanying his employer and family, if they should be attending some social function in the district. Twice a week he is taken to the pictures and he is always included with the other members of the family when invited out to a private party.

He fully realises that he has a wonderful opportunity before him when, one day, with perseverance, keenness and hard work, he may be in a position to have a farm of his own.