



ALONG THE MAIL ROUTE

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REDUCTION IN SIZE OF KARUAH RESERVE.

To comply with the proposal to re-plan the whole of the Port Stephens area, the Board has agreed to the unused portion of the Karuah Reserve being handed back to the Lands Department, with the object that it will be sub-divided into blocks and disposed of for home building. Care will be taken, however, that there will be ample land left for those few families who choose to continue to live at Karuah.

Karuah is on the banks of the Karuah River, not far from Raymond Terrace, and it is understood that the new Pacific Highway will pass through the township thus enhancing the value of all land.

ANOTHER KINCHELA BOY MAKES GOOD.

“Congratulations to George Ellis.”

George, who attended Kempsey High School, gained his Intermediate Certificate last year, and, when the opportunity came along, made application for a job as an apprentice with the Government Motor Garage in Sydney. The Public Service Board appointed him from amongst a number of applicants, and he commenced work at the Garage on the 17th April. He is to be apprenticed to the Motor Body-Building Trade.

George's brilliant performances in the football field at Kempsey soon became known when he came to Sydney, and it was not long before officials of the Balmain Rugby League Football Club called on him and persuaded him to be tried out for selection.

Result:—George now plays centre for the first grade Balmain Juniors and we will not be at all surprised if he is soon promoted to higher grades.

Good work, George!

HOME BUILDING ASSISTANCE.

The Board was pleased at a recent Meeting, to approve of an advance to an aborigine living in the Far West. This man has a good reputation locally and desires to help himself without going into unnecessary debt. He has bought himself a block of land and has already erected part of his home, and with the advance received from the Board, he will now purchase enough material to finish it off.

GREAT PROGRESS AT SWAN HILL.

Readers of *Dawn* will remember the pictures of the Swan Hill District Native Children's Recreation Centre, which appeared some time ago. The Centre has now been two years in existence, and further progress made has been the erection of two cottages from material supplied by the Board.

The Recreation Centre is under the control of a very active Committee of the citizens of Swan Hill, headed by Sergeant A. H. Feldtmann, their President. In a letter to Mr. Saxby, in which he described the progress of the Centre and the two new cottages, Mr. Feldtmann said:—

“In the erection of these two cottages, we removed the shutter windows and replaced them with glass ones. We also put masonite ceilings in both cottages and added a skillion room 20ft. x 8 ft., onto the rear of each, with two louvre windows in each skillion. The cottages are floored throughout and covered with linoleum. Electricity has been installed, with electric light and a power point in each cottage. In addition, brick chimneys have been erected with a one-fire stove in each cottage. Also, the front verandahs have been concreted throughout with 4 inches of reinforced concrete. The insides have been painted in pastel colours, and the outside in cream and aluminium. Whole erected by voluntary labour.”

Our cover picture shows the entrance to the Centre. The two Pencil Pines at the gate have never looked back, having continued to make rapid progress ever since they were planted.



This excellent black and white drawing of the Three Wise Men was sent in by Carol Donovan, of Bowraville.