



TABULAM HONOURED

May we
introduce
Olga Kelly, of
Bowraville

ON 28th March, Tabulam was honoured by a visit from the Bishop of Grafton and the Director of Co-operatives of the Australian Board of Missions, the Rev. W. A. Clint. They were accompanied by the Rev. Hilliard, of Mallanganee, and Mr. E. Morgan, District Aborigines' Welfare Officer.

Engineer Wants to Meet Our Girls

APPEALS TO DAWN FOR HELP

A young engineer who resides at Caringbah, a suburb of Sydney, is very anxious to meet some of our aboriginal girls.

This young man, Mr. Richard Hayter, of 52 Bulwarra Street, Caringbah, in a recent letter to *Dawn* said . . .

"Over the past years I have come in contact with many coloured folk in Australia, mainly in the West.

"As I am an engineering tradesman I have had the opportunity of travelling and at the same time having a kind of working holiday; my last port of call was Moree where I stayed for over two months.

"During that time I was invited out to the Mission and took part in the concerts for the coloured people residing there.

"Father Shanahan introduced me round and I had hopes of starting a gymnasium on the Mission but unfortunately an illness compelled me to return to Sydney.

"I guess my travelling days are over and I must stay put. This brings me to my reason for writing to you.

"Could you please find me an aboriginal girl who would like to be my pen-friend and correspond with me, I am 28 years of age, a fitter and turner by occupation and I do not drink of smoke. I am interested in all sports, especially Gymnastics and surfing. I play the guitar and mouth organ and sing Western songs. I also like horseriding and dancing and I have my own home and my own car.

"I do hope it will be possible for me to meet some of our aboriginal girls and to develop a friendship with them."

Well, Girls, there's Mr. Hayter's letter so how about a swag of letters for him.

Visits were made to several houses to meet residents. They commented on the efforts made by the people to grow flowers and vegetables, and the neatness of their lawns and gardens and also remarked how impressed they were with the neatness and layout of the beautiful flower gardens and lawns and all the trees which have been planted around the Administration Block.

The work being done by the Sewing, Hobbies and Basket Making Classes, which will be on display at the Bonalbo Show, was then shown and very favourably commented on.

During the afternoon, a visit to the station school was made; Mr. A. Soorley, Schoolteacher, put on a display of Dances, Hoop spinning, and the School Choir rendered many songs. The visitors were so entertained with the work of the children, that they did not depart from the station until a late hour.

Since this visit, the Manager has received a letter from the Rev. W. A. Clint, also a message from the Bishop of Grafton, conveyed by the Rev. Hilliard, congratulating the Manager and Matron, the Schoolteacher and residents, on their beautiful station, and their thanks for the wonderful day they were given, and that they are looking forward to another visit later in the year.

Hey, mind those
fingers girls.
These two lasses
are Helen Wil-
liams, of Box
Ridge and Janelle
Peden.

