



BURRA BEE DEE NEWS

Young Graham Griffiths is back with us again after spending six months at the Far West Home. Although Graham is only 3½ years old, most of his young life has been spent in the Far West Home where doctors have performed skilful operations on his right leg.

Mrs. R. Nixon from Gulargambone is at present spending a holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Fuller. Mrs. Nixon is a former resident of Burra Bee Dee being the daughter of former handyman, Mr. O. Williams.

The builders are "hard at it" on the New Reserve, Coonabarabran, in the erection of two new homes. These homes will benefit two needy families that are at present just "fringe dwellers" around the town of Coonabarabran. They are to consist of three bedrooms, and all modern amenities, so what a joy it will be to move into them upon completion!

BURNT BRIDGE NEWS

The Aborigines Welfare Board recently replaced the old draining board and sink in the Burnt Bridge Treatment Room with a new stainless steel one.

Several members of the Progress Association were admiring it and one of them asked the 64-dollar question. "What are you going to use to hold it up, Boss?"

It was explained that the old one would be spruced up as much as possible and used.

A few days later a motor vehicle pulled up outside the Treatment Room and delivered a beautiful new sink stand. It was white enamelled with electro-plated fittings. It had two draws and underneath these were three cupboards. On the centre cupboard door was a brass plate bearing these words:—

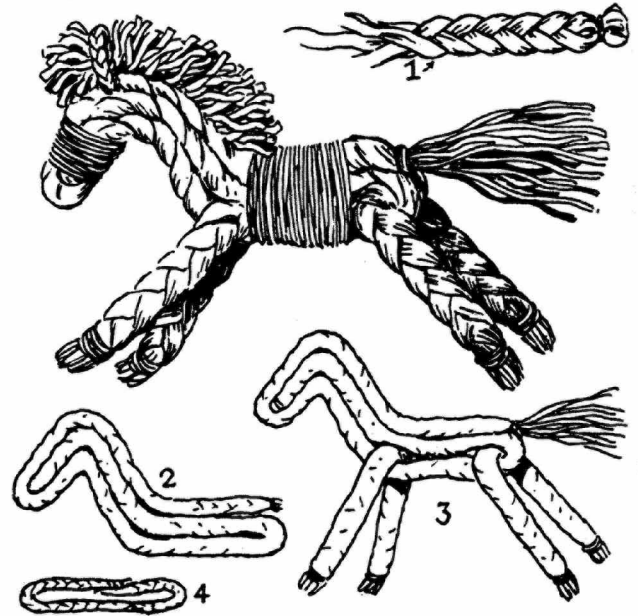
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The story does not finish there, for when the stand was being fitted a brand new electro-plated tap to replace the old one was discovered in the draw.

Needless to say there was no time lost in getting the whole thing set up and in use.

A big hand must be accorded to the Progress Association, firstly for the good thoughts behind their effort and secondly for the speed and dispatch their committee used to acquire this very beautiful donation.

MAKE THIS HORSE FROM STRAW



A bundle of straw, a little thin steel wire and some woollen yarn can easily be made into the little horse you see here. First of all take six straw threads from the bundle. Make a plait of the rest of the bundle. Secure the ends with one of the threads. Cut the plait into three parts: two pieces each about 6 in. and one length of what is left. Fasten coloured wool around the ends of the two 6 in. pieces. These shall be the horse's legs. Make the horse's head and body from the long piece as shown in the diagram. Fasten the plait where the tail is to begin. Open that end of the plait which is the tail.

Push a piece of steel wire into the two lengths for the legs—inside the plait so that they can't be seen. Place the legs in position as shown in Illus. 3. Wind wool around the body and head, as shown in the finished diagram.

Make a narrow plait of the six threads. This should be about 4 in. long. Place it as shown in Illus. 4, then secure the ends with a couple of stitches. Put the loop in between the top and second layer of the horse's head. Now it has got ears. Sew them in position. For the mane, wind wool around two fingers. Sew the loops in place then cut them open.