

Bowraville Girl Trains as Nurse



Bernadette Ballangarry

Bernadette Ballangarry, of Bowraville, has completed her initial training as a nurse at Canterbury District Hospital in Sydney.

The 17 years-old Bernadette became very homesick in the big city. She has left Sydney and hopes to complete her training at a country hospital.

Our picture came from Mrs. J. Tierney, of Villawood, an outer Sydney suburb, who entertained Bernadette at her home recently.

Mrs. Tierney first contacted the Bowraville girl as the result of an item in *Dawn* last year when she offered to send magazines and parcels to people in the outback.

The response was encouraging in N.S.W. but Mrs. Tierney, a staunch friend of the aborigine people, would like to hear also from somebody in Central Australia and the Northern Territory.

DIANA DOES WELL

Diana Cook, of Raymond Terrace, is doing well in her early training at the Mater Hospital at Newcastle.

The Mother Rectress reports that she is very pleased with her work, general deportment and adaptability and will willingly consider applications from any of her sisters should they achieve the necessary qualifications.

The 18 years-old Diana has now progressed from the Preliminary Training School after passing her first examination.

Bonny little Cheryl Foster who was born at Wreck Bay now lives with her parents at Windang



"SKY BABY" BORN AT 3,000 FEET

The first "sky baby" in the history of the Flying Doctor service in N.S.W. was born in mid-June in an aircraft flying 3,000 feet above the desert between Wilcannia and Broken Hill.

The mother was an aboriginal woman, Mrs. Dorothy Lawson, of Wilcannia. She and her healthy little son were flown to Broken Hill and District Hospital.

Sister McDonald, a midwife from Wilcannia Hospital, delivered the baby when the aircraft was midway between Wilcannia and Broken Hill.

The Flying Doctor from Broken Hill, Dr. K. Crowley, said that apart from being aloft the birth had nothing unusual about it.

The plane, a De Haviland Drover, was piloted by Captain Jack Jenkins, of Broken Hill.