



### Improvements at Brewarrina.

Following the visit to Brewarrina Station by Mr. Saxby, the Superintendent, there are to be some extensive improvements effected. Some of the old type galvanised huts which are not now used, are to be demolished and the material used to repair other cottages and erect a small laundry/bathroom unit to each one.

Water is to be extended to each of these units and a shower provided. The work will be carried out by the Manager and Station staff, with the assistance of the Board's Maintenance Officer, Mr. Potts, when he is available.

If there is any material left over, this is to be made available to the people living on the riverbank at Brewarrina.

### Rental of Town Houses.

Although the majority of the tenants of the cottages erected in the various country towns by the Board are quite prepared to meet their financial obligations, there are still some who have allowed their rent to fall sadly into arrears. Where there is no reasonable excuse for this, the Board will take drastic action and every one of the defaulters has been warned to this effect.

One particular case was reported where a family for whom housing had been provided on an Aboriginal Station, had moved in with one of the tenants and refused to leave. This sort of thing is likely to react very unfavourably on the Board's tenant who has now been given notice that he must tell the family to go. The Tenancy Agreement, which is signed when a tenant goes into one of these houses, specifically provides that there must not be any sub-letting, and if a tenant allows another family to live in the house, this is regarded as a breach of the Agreement. The Board is determined to prevent unnecessary overcrowding.

### Ambition Rewarded.

A resident of Cowra Aboriginal Station is being given an opportunity to realise his ambition. The Board has given him permission to use a small portion of the Station of about 2 to 5 acres, and it is his purpose to grow vegetables for sale to the residents. This will serve two purposes. It will not only give the resident concerned a spirit of independence, but will also supply cheap vegetables to his friends and neighbours.

At Brewarrina, one of the men living on the Reserve in the town has been granted 2 acres to be developed.

### Bursaries, 1956.

The Board offers its sincere congratulations to the following, who have been awarded bursaries for 1956:—

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| Richard C. Groves | ... | Hurlstone Agricultural High School, Glenfield. |
| Dennis G. Ritchie | ... | Burnt Bridge Aboriginal School.                |
| William L. Butler | ... | Ulladulla Public School.                       |
| Carmel Flores     | ... | La Perouse Public School.                      |

A sub-committee has been formed to go into the question of further bursaries if funds will allow. The bursaries are for £50 per annum, for a period of three years, to enable the children concerned to go on to the Intermediate Certificate or, as in the case of Dick Groves, to go on to the Leaving Certificate.

### New Tenants.

Congratulations to the following who have completed their Tenancy Agreements with the Board:—

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| Gordon Wellington  | ... | 55 Princes Highway, Bomaderry.          |
| Herrick Cain       | ... | Lot 13, White Street, Coonabarabran.    |
| Keith O. Hinton    | ... | Lot 12, White Street, Coonabarabran.    |
| Joseph M. Cain     | ... | Lot 11, White Street, Coonabarabran.    |
| John H. Watton     | ... | Lot 7, White Street, Coonabarabran.     |
| Stanley Allen      | ... | Lot 6, White Street, Coonabarabran.     |
| Mervyn Cooley      | ... | House No. 18, La Perouse Reserve.       |
| Arthur J. Ridgeway | ... | House No. 17, Taree Aboriginal Station. |
| Colin Ping         | ... | House No. 3, Taree Aboriginal Station.  |
| Ronald A. Marr     | ... | House No. 25, Taree Aboriginal Station. |
| Arthur P. Russell  | ... | House No. 11, Taree Aboriginal Station. |