



Mrs. J. W. Redmond, Relieving Matron, Purfleet Aboriginal Station, Taree, placing on the scales the first baby to "weigh in" at Purfleet C.W.A. Baby Health Centre. Baby is Corina Slater. With her is Mrs. M. Barber, State President of C.W.A., who officially opened the Centre and Mrs. E. McLennan, C.W.A. Group Secretary, and standing behind is Mrs. Ella Simon, Purfleet President

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Display cases inside the Gillawarra Gift Shop, Purfleet give a glimpse of the wide variety of handicrafts which the people of Purfleet produce for sale. Every item could well be labelled "Made in Australia by true Australians."



A MILESTONE IN PROGRESS OF PURFLEET

A further development in the progress of Purfleet Aboriginal Station and its people, culminated in August with the opening of the C.W.A. Rest Room, Baby Health Centre and Gillawarra Gift Shop.

Mrs. M. Barber, State President of the Country Women's Association, opened the Rest Rooms, and Mr. Bill Onus, an aboriginal manufacturer of Belgrave, Victoria, officially opened the gift shop.

Because of wet weather, the ceremonies were held in the Station Hall instead of at the building housing the new amenities.

After the official opening, Mr. Onus gave a demonstration of boomerang throwing. Another highlight of the afternoon was the weighing by the Relieving Matron, Mrs. J. Redmond, of the youngest baby at the Station—Corina Slater, who was only nine weeks of age.

The hall was packed to capacity, and under the chairmanship of the President of Taree Chamber of Commerce, Mr. B. Cowan, proceedings began with the reciting of the C.W.A. Pledge, after which the Mayor of Taree, Ald. Martin, welcomed the guests and visitors. The Mayor said the citizens of Taree were delighted to see the progress made at Purfleet, and to see their fellow citizens improve their lot by their own efforts.

President of Purfleet C.W.A. Branch, Mrs. Ella Simon, also welcomed the guests and thanked all for their untiring efforts in helping the development of the branch. She introduced Mrs. Barber, who described it as an historic occasion for Purfleet and the Mid-North Coast Group of the C.W.A.

"Members throughout the State have taken a keen interest in the work of the Purfleet Branch, and to-day