

AROUND THE

BIRTHS

To **Dave Rae** (Canteen) and **Mrs. Rae**, a daughter, **Barbara Louise**, on 20/12/57.

To **Ray Mitcheson** (Time Office) and **Mrs. Mitcheson**, a son **Jon Raymond**, on 20/12/57.

ELECTRICAL

Our Christmas get-together which was held at the home of former Electrical Dept. foreman, **George Brailey**, proved to be a huge success. Not only did it give us the opportunity of having a very pleasant evening but it also enabled us as a group to maintain close contact with the popular **George** and **Mrs. Brailey**. We sincerely thank them for having had us at their home and trust that they continue to enjoy good health and the very best of things that life can offer them.

During the course of the proceedings, **Percy Beacher** rendered some topical verses entitled "Sparks." These went over very well and we are reproducing them in this issue. (See box page 12).

Now, some chit-chat: **Charlie Medcalf** has been making so many flying visits to Sydney in the Holden recently that the more inquisitive of us just cannot help raising our eyebrows and wonder, "why for?" **Harry McGovern** spent the Christmas break at Wangi (what, no rock-hunting expedition Harry?) Meanwhile Harry's partner in geological forays, **Percy Beacher**, is at present deeply involved in the process of building a caravan which we have no doubt will be put to good use when completed. On the holiday front there has been plenty of activity. **George Firmstone**, "**Wizzy**" **Wilson**, **Perce McNight**, **George Paddocks** (who attended the Boy Scout Rally held at Brisbane) and **Arthur Dennett** have

all been on leave at one time or another recently.

BUILDING

Take a black night, black straying stock, and a black car. The result!! Blues for the car driver!! In this case **Jack Kerr**, who apparently has a jinx spot on Wallsend Road. In a recent fortnight Jack was unfortunate enough to sustain two collisions with black straying cows there, both at the same location. Better go another way around Jack!

ACID

by **A. L. Ert**

We don't know whether **Perce Brown** is trying to emulate the deeds of "Tarzan," but from what we have been told he was apparently swinging from the guttering just recently. Maybe **Perce** has ideas of taking over from the present "Jungle Man" when his popularity wanes. That being the case, then according to our report, the censors will cut him right out of the picture if he is attired in the same costume as before!!

They say "The devil you know is better than the one you don't." Perhaps **George Chalmers** had this in mind when he took unto himself another Austin—Happy motoring to you **George**.

Hearty congratulations to **Geoff. Jenkins** on the occasion of his graduation with the rank of Pilot Officer, from Point Cook, R.A.A.F. Station. **Geoff.** is the son of Chemico Unit operator **Vic. Jenkins**.

STORE

by "**Pedro**"

Stores personnel have apparently lapsed in their driving manners of late. Out of three traffic offences, **Ken Saxby** was the only one to receive a